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NEBRASKA Work Trends

September 1980

Per Capita Personal Income, 1978

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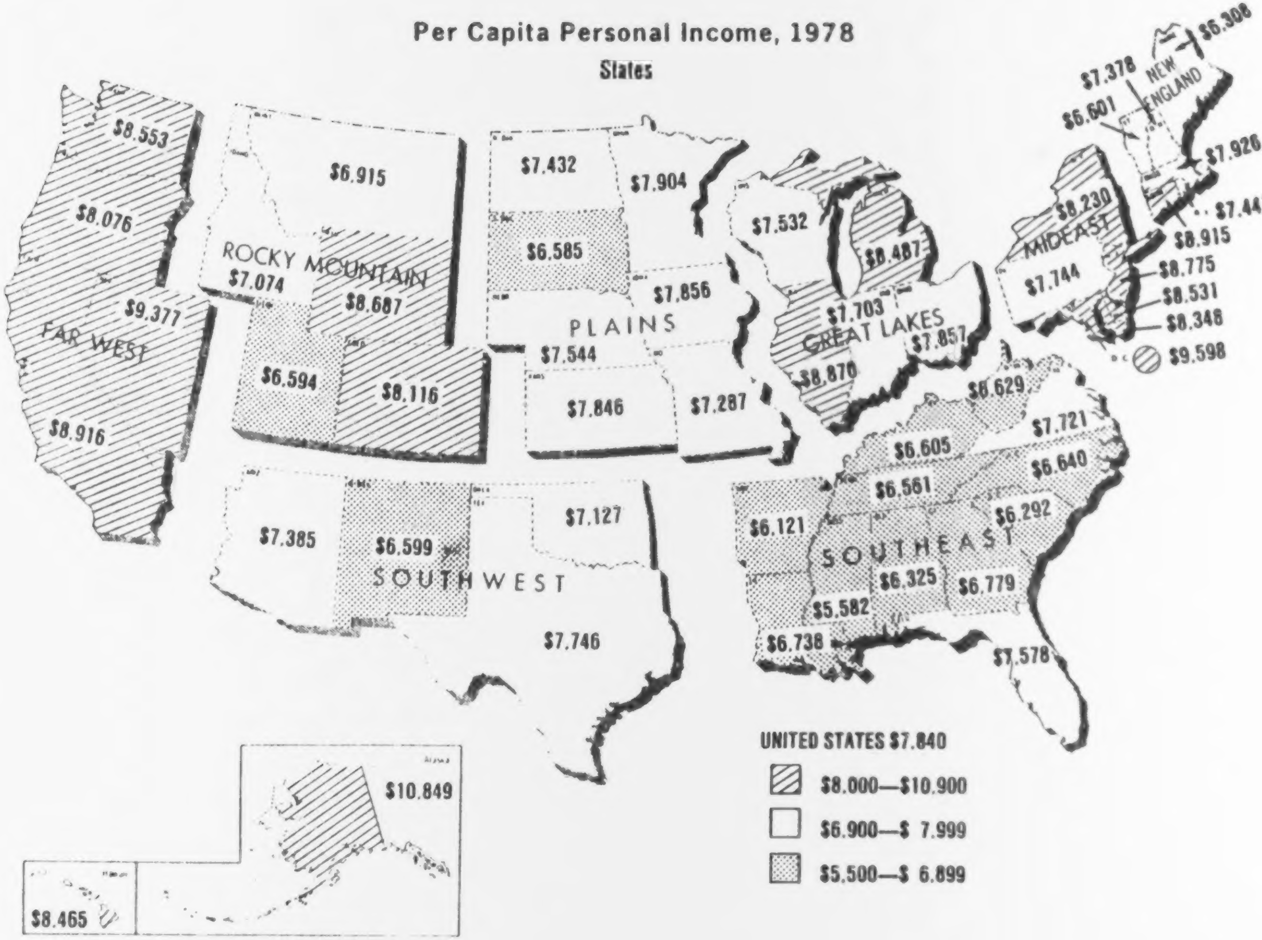
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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA 1/

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

September 1980

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Sep 1980	Aug 1980	Sep 1979	Aug 1980	Sep 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	762,950	779,300	766,250	- 16,350	- 3,300
Employment	735,750	750,600	743,700	- 14,850	- 7,950
Unemployment	27,200	28,700	22,550	- 1,500	4,650
Unemployment rate 2/	3.6	3.7	2.9	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	277,200	278,450	278,150	- 1,250	- 950
Employment	264,250	265,100	266,300	- 850	- 2,050
Unemployment	12,950	13,350	11,850	- 400	1,100
Unemployment rate 2/	4.7	4.8	4.3	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	112,650	109,200	110,550	3,450	2,100
Employment	109,200	105,750	107,850	3,450	1,350
Unemployment	3,450	3,450	2,700	0	750
Unemployment rate 2/	3.1	3.2	2.4	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 237,100 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,100 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment dropped by 1,500 from August 1980 to September 1980, reaching a new total of 27,200. The September 1980 total was 4,650 more than in September 1979. The unemployment rate edged downward from 3.7 percent in August 1980 to 3.6 percent in September 1980, and compared to 2.9 percent in September 1979.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA decreased by 400 from August 1980 to September 1980, but increased by 1,100 from September 1979. The unemployment rate dipped from 4.8 percent in August 1980 to 4.7 percent in September 1980, and compared to 4.3 percent in September 1979.

The number of unemployed in the Lincoln SMSA did not change from August 1980 to September 1980, but increased by 750 from September 1979. The unemployment rate, however, underwent a slight drop from 3.2 percent in August 1980 to 3.1 percent in September 1980, and compared to 2.4 percent in September 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 600 from September 1980 to October 1980, reaching a new total of 763,550. The unemployment segment is projected as 26,000, while the employment segment is projected as 737,550.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [1/] [2/]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Sep 1980 [3/]	Aug 1980 [4/]	Sep 1979 [4/]	Change From Aug 1980	Change From Sep 1979	Percent Change From Sep 1979
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	628,850	623,700	635,700	5,150	-6,850	-1.1
MANUFACTURING	94,400	94,350	99,650	50	-5,250	-5.3
Durable goods	48,000	48,000	53,250	0	-5,250	-9.9
Construction material	4,850	4,900	5,600	- 50	- 750	-12.7
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,250	2,200	2,450	50	- 200	-7.5
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,600	2,700	3,150	-100	- 550	-16.7
Furniture & fixtures	1,600	1,600	1,800	0	- 200	-11.2
Metals	8,750	8,900	9,900	-150	-1,150	-11.6
Primary metal industries	1,850	1,850	1,900	0	- 50	-1.8
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equip.	6,900	7,050	8,000	-150	-1,100	-13.9
Machinery except electrical	12,700	12,650	14,100	50	-1,400	-10.1
Farm machinery & equipment	7,600	7,350	8,300	250	- 700	-8.6
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,400	9,400	10,850	0	-1,450	-13.3
Transportation equipment	5,150	5,100	5,700	50	- 550	-9.8
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,400	2,400	3,050	0	- 650	-20.9
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,550	5,450	5,300	100	250	4.0
Nondurable goods	46,400	46,350	46,400	50	0	0
Food & kindred products	27,900	28,050	27,200	-150	700	2.4
Meat products	14,150	14,250	13,700	-100	450	3.3
Dairy products	1,900	1,850	1,900	50	0	-1.4
Grain mill	4,700	4,850	4,750	-150	-50	-1.2
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	7,150	7,100	6,850	50	300	4.1
Textile products & apparel	2,150	2,150	2,350	0	-200	-7.1
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,550	7,500	7,500	50	50	1.1
Chemicals & allied products	2,650	2,650	2,500	0	150	6.0
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,150	6,000	6,850	150	-700	-10.4
NONMANUFACTURING	534,450	529,350	536,050	5,100	-1,600	-0.3
MINING	1,500	1,600	1,750	-100	-250	-13.4
CONSTRUCTION	34,050	35,050	36,850	-1,000	-2,800	-7.5
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	9,600	9,950	10,450	-350	-850	-8.1
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	8,800	9,150	9,900	-350	-1,100	-10.8
Construction - special trade contractors	15,650	15,950	16,500	-300	-850	-5.2
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	46,250	46,400	47,500	-150	-1,250	-2.7
Railroad transportation	14,850	14,900	15,900	-50	-1,050	-6.6
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,750	14,900	15,150	-150	-400	-2.5
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,650	16,600	16,450	50	200	1.0

TRADE	165,150	164,600	166,250	550	-1,100	-0.7
Wholesale	47,650	47,850	47,400	-200	250	0.6
Durable	24,350	24,550	24,900	-200	-550	-2.2
Nondurable	23,300	23,300	22,500	0	800	3.6
Retail	117,500	116,750	118,850	750	-1,350	-1.1
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	5,950	6,100	6,000	-150	- 50	-0.4
General merchandise stores	15,050	15,000	16,050	50	-1,000	-6.3
Food stores	15,750	15,600	15,600	150	150	1.0
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	16,550	16,700	17,100	-150	-550	-3.2
Apparel & accessory stores	5,950	5,950	6,150	0	-200	-3.3
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,250	4,150	4,200	100	50	2.2
Eating & drinking places	42,650	41,800	41,900	850	750	1.8
Miscellaneous retail	11,350	11,450	11,850	-100	-500	-4.4
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,400	3,400	3,500	0	-100	-3.6
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	7,950	8,050	8,350	-100	-400	-4.8
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	42,400	42,800	40,950	-400	1,450	3.5
Banking	10,550	10,700	10,300	-150	250	2.6
Insurance	20,400	20,450	19,800	- 50	600	2.8
Real Estate	4,900	5,150	4,600	-250	300	7.1
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,550	6,500	6,250	50	300	4.7
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	120,550	119,300	116,650	1,250	3,900	3.3
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	7,350	7,450	7,550	-100	-200	-2.8
Personal services	6,050	6,150	6,050	-100	0	0.2
Business services	18,100	18,000	18,050	100	50	0.2
Automotive repair, services, & garages	4,100	4,050	4,050	50	50	1.2
Amusement & recreation (including motion pictures)	7,850	7,850	7,400	0	450	6.5
Health services	42,350	42,400	39,750	- 50	2,600	6.6
Educational services	8,100	6,500	8,000	1,600	100	0.9
Social services	5,800	5,750	5,850	50	- 50	-0.4
Membership organizations	8,350	8,450	8,700	-100	-350	-4.2
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,500	12,700	11,250	-200	1,250	11.0
GOVERNMENT	124,550	119,600	126,100	4,950	- 1,550	-1.2
Federal	16,200	16,200	15,900	0	300	1.7
State	35,400	31,350	34,500	4,050	900	2.7
Local	72,950	72,050	75,700	900	- 2,750	-3.6

1/ Rounded to nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding. Percent change based on unrounded data.
2/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
3/ Preliminary estimate. 4/ Revised.

NOTE: These estimates are based on March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

SEPTEMBER 1980 IN REVIEW . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 5,150 from August 1980 to September 1980. Virtually all of this increase occurred in nonmanufacturing (5,100), with manufacturing registering only a very small gain of 50.

The increase of 50 in manufacturing occurred entirely in nondurable goods, and durable goods had no change month-to-month.

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (4,950), services (1,250), and trade (550). The primary increases in government and services represented the customary seasonal upswing in educational services. The largest gain in trade occurred in eating and drinking places (850).

Month-to-month losses occurred in construction/mining (1,100), finance-insurance-real estate (-400), and transportation-communication-real estate (-150).

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries dropped by 6,850 from September 1979 to September 1980. Over three-fourths of this decline occurred in manufacturing (-5,250), with the remainder in nonmanufacturing.

The decline of 5,250 in manufacturing employment occurred entirely in durable goods, as nondurable goods showed no change. Over three fourths of the reduction in manufacturing employment occurred in three categories: metals (-1,150), machinery except electrical (-1,400), and electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,450).

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (3,900), and finance-insurance-real estate (1,450). The chief gainer in services was the health service field (2,600).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in construction/mining (-3,050), government (-1,550), transportation-communication-utilities (-1,250), and trade (-1,100). The major decrease in government was in local government (-2,750). A decline in railroad employment of 1,050 accounted for most of the drop in transportation-communication-utilities. The largest loss in trade occurred in general merchandise stores (-1,000).

OUTLOOK . . . .

Employment activity in November 1980 is projected to show customary seasonal reductions in construction/mining, manufacturing, service and agriculture. Construction/mining is expected to have a substantial drop, typical for this time of year. Manufacturing is anticipated to show a small dip, primarily in food processing. Services are expected to decrease slightly. Agricultural employment is expected to undergo the substantial reduction usual during late autumn. It is anticipated that trade will show a modest increase, reflecting the beginning of hiring activity for the holiday buying season. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged for transportation-communication-utilities, finance-insurance-real estate, and government.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

SEPTEMBER 1980

				Nonag Job Openings				Active File/	Unfilled
					Unfilled		Applicants/	Unfilled	Openings
		Available FY to date 2/	Active File	Received FY to date 2/	Total	30 days or more	Openings FY to date	Openings End-of-mo.	30 days + % of total
TOTAL 3/		129,882	31,514	71,767	5,229	3,755	1.81	6.03	71.8
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	13,717	3,865	5,204	1,673	1,459	2.64	2.31	87.2
2	Clerical and sales	32,704	8,058	15,856	1,847	1,396	2.06	4.36	75.6
	Entry codes 4/	7,044	1,409	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	19,698	5,195	12,626	1,567	1,239	1.56	3.32	79.1
	25-29 Sales	5,962	1,454	3,230	280	157	1.85	5.19	56.1
3	Service	19,615	5,034	12,821	581	300	1.53	8.66	51.6
	Entry codes 4/	3,330	668	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	30 Domestic	1,269	295	2,314	38	18	0.55	7.76	47.4
	31-39 Other	15,016	4,071	10,507	543	282	1.43	7.50	51.9
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	10,057	811	8,016	46	35	1.25	17.60	76.1
5	Processing	3,039	689	3,123	36	7	0.97	19.10	19.4
6	Machine trades	5,758	1,668	2,137	147	55	2.69	11.30	37.4
7	Bench work	5,788	1,752	1,835	89	40	3.15	19.70	44.9
8	Structural work	15,255	3,554	8,211	348	140	1.86	10.20	40.2
9	Miscellaneous	16,965	4,382	14,490	229	91	1.17	19.10	39.7
	Entry codes 4/	3,452	763	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	5,886	1,535	5,627	109	32	1.05	14.10	29.4
	92 Packaging, materials handling	7,073	1,916	8,365	84	30	0.85	22.80	35.7
	93-97 Other 5/	554	168	498	36	29	1.11	4.67	80.6

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: 10-1-79 through 9-30-80. FY 1980 defined as 10-1-79 through 9-30-80.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

By Occupation

September 1980

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,688	5,205	$8,850/yr	$8,778/yr	2,407	2,520	1,316	786
Professional, Technical, and Managerial	679	736	11,123/yr	11,140/yr	591	551	381	234
Clerical and Sales	1,171	1,613	7,720/yr	7,632/yr	891	927	553	207
Service	546	829	3.51/hr	3.46/hr	300	372	149	135
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and related	68	91	3.72/hr	3.80/hr	23	27	8	14
Processing	113	231	4.72/hr	5.09/hr	30	27	3	14
Machine Trades	183	274	4.99/hr	4.98/hr	135	120	51	40
Bench Work	160	193	3.74/hr	3.62/hr	88	75	39	38
Structural Work	477	694	4.56/hr	4.62/hr	244	257	103	63
Miscellaneous	291	544	4.45/hr	4.48/hr	105	164	29	41

1/ Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

September 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Sep 1980 2/	Aug 1980 3/	Sep 1979 3/	Sep 1980 2/	Aug 1980 3/	Sep 1979 3/	Sep 1980 2/	Aug 1980 3/	Sep 1979 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$311.25	$303.40	$279.71	40.9	40.4	41.5	$7.61	$7.51	$6.74
Durable goods	305.37	289.02	277.13	41.1	39.7	41.8	7.43	7.28	6.63
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	272.16	249.67	239.36	43.2	40.4	41.7	6.30	6.18	5.74
Primary and fabricated metals	320.40	299.44	268.27	40.0	38.0	40.1	8.01	7.88	6.69
Machinery and transportation equipment	329.96	311.98	306.31	41.4	40.1	42.9	7.97	7.78	7.14
Nondurable goods	318.24	318.53	281.95	40.8	41.1	41.1	7.80	7.75	6.86
Food and kindred products	346.53	353.93	307.84	41.7	42.9	41.6	8.31	8.25	7.40
Meat products	375.65	377.78	333.60	41.1	42.4	41.7	9.14	8.91	8.00
Dairy products	215.27	213.16	196.18	37.7	37.2	36.6	5.71	5.73	5.36
Grain mill products	422.50	436.68	356.62	48.9	48.9	46.8	8.64	8.93	7.62
Bakery products	247.70	256.48	236.22	33.7	34.8	35.1	7.35	7.37	6.73
Other food and kindred products	240.56	260.53	224.85	39.5	42.5	38.7	6.09	6.13	5.81
Printing and publishing	274.06	266.70	263.08	38.6	38.1	41.3	7.10	7.00	6.37
Chemicals and allied products	322.71	308.67	282.05	46.3	44.8	42.8	6.97	6.89	6.59

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $7.85 from August 1980 to September 1980. This included a strong gain of $16.35 in durable goods, along with a slight dip of $.29 in nondurable goods.
Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $31.54, including a gain of $28.24 in durable goods, and a rise of $36.29 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours increased by 0.5 hours from August 1980 to September 1980, but dropped by 0.6 hours from September 1979 to September 1980.

Average hourly earnings increased by $.10 month-to-month, and also increased by $.87 year-to-year.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

AUGUST 1980

	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	34	26	49	24	18	45	44	32	63	29	17	50	9	10	4
Durable goods	33	21	49	21	12	45	47	33	63	27	14	50	14	13	4
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	56	33	68	50	23	67	83	84	110	54	21	83	23	4	10
Furniture and fixtures	40	7	81	39	7	81	35	26	78	25	19	62	6	4/	4/
Primary and fabricated metals	32	19	52	13	7	43	57	33	63	23	12	44	26	16	11
Machinery and trans. equipment	24	16	41	10	6	38	35	34	52	19	12	44	10	18	4/
Other durable goods	61	45	53	55	39	50	65	32	60	51	26	51	5	2	1
Nondurable goods	35	32	50	28	25	45	41	30	64	32	19	51	4	6	5
Food and kindred products	35	36	49	31	33	43	44	29	58	37	20	50	2	3	2
Meat products	35	36	49	33	34	40	43	22	52	36	17	44	2	4/	1
Dairy products	26	23	27	26	23	27	29	24	50	29	21	42	4/	3	3
Grain mill products	26	21	34	14	19	33	35	33	50	28	15	44	2	11	1
Bakery products	46	55	51	35	49	47	74	41	81	62	27	63	3	7	2
Other food and kindred products	48	50	78	45	43	73	55	46	82	48	32	72	1	2	4
Textiles and apparel	44	38	77	36	27	75	64	54	70	52	39	63	8	9	4/
Paper and allied products	52	20	50	23	20	47	37	48	51	15	16	42	19	26	4/
Printing and publishing	34	18	51	32	16	48	37	23	65	27	18	58	5	2	2
Chemicals and allied products	9	9	18	8	9	16	17	9	36	9	4	24	4/	2	5
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	40	47	54	8	6	51	40	46	101	15	12	54	15	25	26

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program. NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary. 3/ Revised. 4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing increased from 26 per 1,000 workers in July 1980 to 34 per 1,000 workers in August 1980. During that period, durable goods increased from 21 per 1,000 to 33 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also increased slightly from 32 per 1,000 to 35 per 1,000.
Year-to-year, accessions dropped from 49 per 1,000 to 34 per 1,000. Durable goods dropped from 49 per 1,000 to 33 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also declined from 50 per 1,000 to 35 per 1,000.
Separations increased month-to-month from 32 per 1,000 to 44 per 1,000, included durable goods increasing from 33 per 1,000 to 47 per 1,000 and nondurable goods also gaining from 30 per 1,000 to 41 per 1,000.
Year-to-year, separations dropped from 63 per 1,000 to 44 per 1,000, including a drop in durable goods from 63 per 1,000 to 47 per 1,000, and also a decline in nondurable goods from 64 per 1,000 to 41 per 1,000.
Layoffs dipped month-to-month from 10 per 1,000 to 9 per 1,000, but showed an increase year-to-year from 4 per 1,000 to 9 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

SEPTEMBER 1980

	September 1980	August 1980	September 1979
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	5,294	5,297	3,037
Weeks claimed	44,774	45,529	16,270
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$3,438,785	$3,458,227	$1,144,833
Calendar year to date	$35,789,536	$32,350,751	$19,392,056
Average size of weekly payments	$ 89.41	$ 88.69	$ 85.31
First payments	2,721	3,219	1,256
Exhaustions	1,170	1,057	384
Individuals who drew benefits	12,763	14,021	5,215
Rate of insured unemployment	1.6	1.9	0.8
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$ 97,204	$ 80,791	$ 42,493
Average size of weekly payments	$ 75.06	$ 74.39	$ 75.61
First payments	53	57	36
Exhaustions	27	15	15
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$ 42,682	$ 41,719	$ 12,147
Average size of weekly payments	$ 86.23	$ 85.49	$ 88.02
First payments	53	57	36
Exhaustions	7	4	2
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	36,403	36,237	36,684
Contributions received	$ 435,302	$ 6,621,877	$ 121,656
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$80,333,006	$84,374,961	$77,776,914

Extended Benefits commenced retroactive to July 20, 1980. The state had paid 16,432 weeks for a total of 1.4 million dollars by September 30, 1980.

UI Initial Claims received in area claims centers decreased from 5,297 in August compared to 5,294 in September 1980. Weeks claimed decreased from 45,529 in August to 44,774 in September 1980.

UI benefit payments decreased from 3.5 million in August to 3.4 million in September 1980.

The number of insured unemployed decreased from 11,619 in August to 9,434 in September 1980. The rate of insured unemployment decreased from 1.9% in August to 1.6% in September 1980.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 31.2 million compared to 27.5 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 80.3 million compared to 77.8 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED[1/]

September 1980

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	6,021	56.0
Female	4,732	44.0
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	9,464	88.0
All other races	1,289	12.0
AGE:		
Under 22	1,429	13.3
22 - 44	6,844	63.7
45 and over	2,480	23.0
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	4,279	39.8
5 - 14	4,909	45.7
15 and over	1,565	14.5

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	1,682	15.6
Clerical and Sales	2,172	20.2
Services	1,063	9.9
Farm and Related	91	0.8
Processing	408	3.8
Machine Trades	828	7.7
Bench Work	1,050	9.8
Structural Work	1,937	18.0
Miscellaneous	1,522	14.2
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	1,358	12.6
Manufacturing	3,593	33.4
Durable Goods	2,319	21.6
Nondurable Goods	1,274	11.8
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	403	3.7
Trade (wholesale & retail)	2,042	19.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	285	2.7
Services	1,790	16.6
Government	382	3.6
Other	900	8.4

[1/] Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for September 1980 was 10,753.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, SEPTEMBER 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	251.7	0.9	12.7	251.9	0.9	12.6
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	254.2	0.9	10.0	255.1	1.0	10.3
Food	261.1	0.9	10.1	261.9	1.0	10.4
Food at home	258.9	1.0	10.3	258.6	1.2	10.4
Cereals & bakery products	250.3	0.4	10.9	251.1	0.6	10.8
Meats, poultry, fish, & eggs	251.8	2.6	9.0	251.2	2.8	9.0
Dairy products	230.6	0.4	9.1	230.9	0.4	8.9
Fruits and vegetables	257.4	-0.4	11.0	255.8	-0.3	11.4
Other foods at home	309.2	0.5	12.0	309.1	0.6	12.5
Food away from home	271.4	0.7	9.6	274.9	0.8	10.3
Alcoholic beverages	189.6	0.5	8.8	191.7	0.6	9.6
HOUSING	267.7	0.7	14.1	267.6	0.7	14.1
Shelter	285.3	0.7	15.3	286.8	0.7	15.6
Rent (residential)	195.1	1.0	9.0	194.8	0.9	8.9
Other rental costs	268.9	0.5	12.4	268.6	0.5	12.6
Homeownership	317.6	0.7	16.8	320.2	0.7	17.2
Fuel and other utilities	288.2	0.5	14.7	288.7	0.5	14.7
Fuels	364.5	0.6	18.9	363.8	0.5	18.7
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	561.5	-0-	21.6	562.9	-0-	21.7
Gas (piped) & electricity	318.4	0.7	17.9	317.4	0.6	17.6
Household furnishings & operation	209.2	1.0	8.8	206.0	0.7	8.1
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	182.2	2.0	7.3	181.4	2.0	7.1
Men's & boys' apparel	171.7	2.3	5.5	171.6	1.9	5.1
Women's & girls' apparel	159.0	3.4	2.0	159.8	3.7	3.5
Footwear	193.2	1.5	7.3	193.3	1.7	7.7
TRANSPORTATION	254.7	0.8	15.0	255.2	0.7	14.7
Private transportation	253.2	0.6	14.1	254.1	0.6	14.1
Public transportation	271.0	3.6	32.1	264.4	2.9	29.5
MEDICAL CARE	270.6	0.8	11.0	272.2	0.8	11.2
Medical care services	292.3	0.9	11.2	294.3	0.9	11.6
ENTERTAINMENT	209.8	0.9	9.8	208.1	1.2	9.4
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	220.6	2.8	9.4	219.0	2.3	9.2
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	292.7			292.9		

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This makes it possible for us to supply information necessary for planning and decision-making to Nebraska employers, governmental units, labor organizations, and other individuals and agencies with a need to know about the Nebraska labor force and industrial composition.

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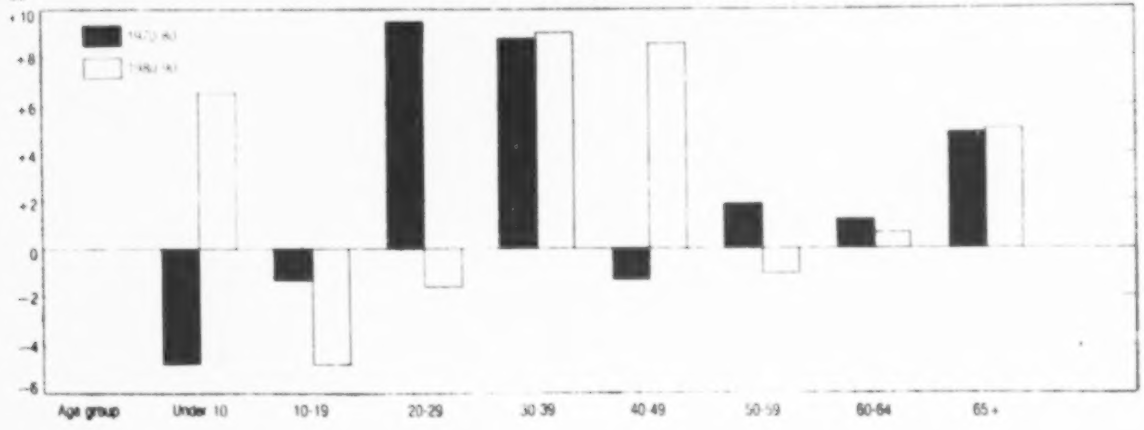
NEBRASKA Work Trends

October 1980

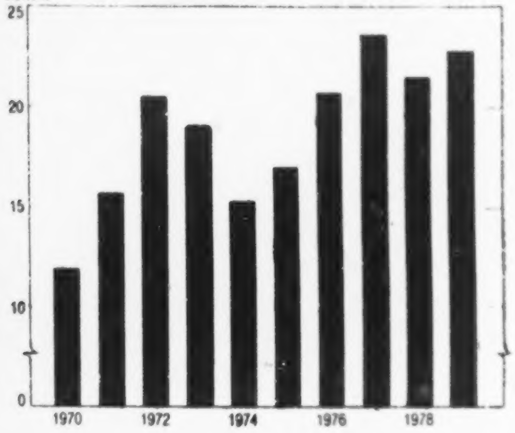
SELECTED U.S. HOUSING AND POPULATION DATA [1/]

Population Change by Age Group, 1970-80 and Projected 1980-90[1]



Projections based on Census Series II

Home Mortgage Share of Total Funds Raised in Credit Markets, 1970-79



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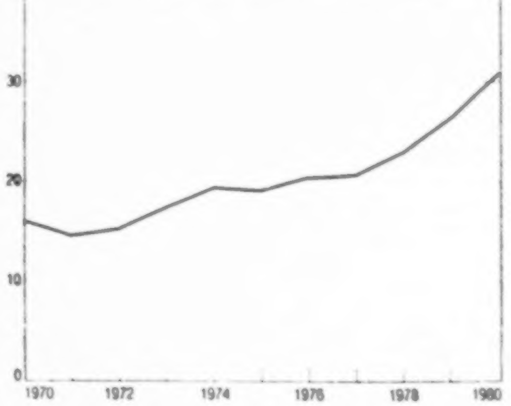

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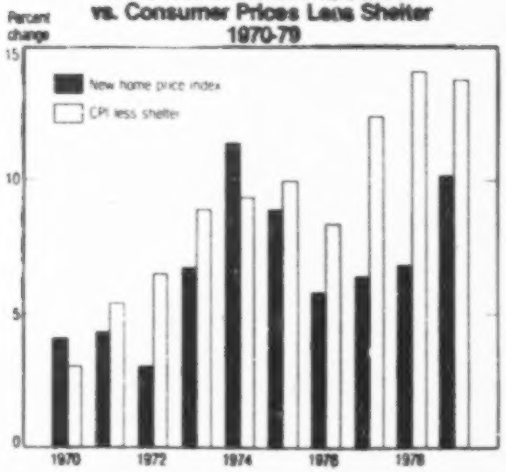

[1/] Source of data: U.S. Department of Commerce, as presented in *Business America*, December 1, 1980.

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA 1/

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

October 1980

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Oct 1980	Sep 1980	Oct 1979	Sep 1980	Oct 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	768,000	765,600	764,150	2,400	3,850
Employment	738,900	738,150	741,450	750	-2,550
Unemployment	29,100	27,450	22,700	1,650	6,400
Unemployment rate 2/	3.8	3.6	3.0	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	278,600	277,350	277,650	1,250	950
Employment	264,900	264,400	266,350	500	-1,450
Unemployment	13,700	12,950	11,300	750	2,400
Unemployment rate 2/	4.9	4.7	4.1	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	110,550	111,600	110,300	-1,050	250
Employment	107,100	108,150	107,400	-1,050	- 300
Unemployment	3,450	3,450	2,900	0	550
Unemployment rate 2/	3.1	3.1	2.6	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 238,100 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,500 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment increased by 1,650 from September 1980 to October 1980, reaching a new total of 29,100. The October 1980 total was 6,400 more than in October 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 3.6 percent in September 1980 to 3.8 percent in October 1980, and compared to 3.0 percent in October 1979.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA increased by 750 from September 1980 to October 1980, and also increased by 2,400 from October 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 4.7 percent in September 1980 to 4.9 percent in October 1980, and compared to 4.1 percent in October 1979.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA did not change from September 1980 to October 1980, but increased by 550 from October 1979. The unemployment rate remained the same in October 1980 that it had been in September 1980(3.1 percent), and compared to 2.6 percent in October 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to decrease by 7,350 from October 1980 to November 1980, reaching a new total of 760,650. The unemployment segment is projected as 32,000, while the employment segment is projected as 782,650.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/ 2/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Oct 1980 3/	Sep 1980 4/	Oct 1979 4/	Change From Sep 1980	Change From Oct 1979	Percent Change From Oct 1979
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	630,600	631,650	632,850	-1,050	-2,250	-0.4
MANUFACTURING	96,500	94,550	100,750	1,950	-4,250	-4.2
Durable goods	48,750	48,050	53,750	700	-5,000	-9.2
Construction material	4,900	4,850	5,550	50	- 650	-12.0
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,300	2,250	2,400	50	- 100	-4.6
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,600	2,600	3,150	0	- 550	-17.7
Furniture & fixtures	1,550	1,650	1,800	- 100	- 250	-12.1
Metals	8,900	8,800	9,950	100	-1,050	-10.7
Primary metal industries	1,850	1,850	1,900	0	- 50	-4.1
Fabricated metal products, except mach. & trans. equip.	7,050	6,950	8,050	100	-1,000	-12.3
Machinery except electrical	13,200	12,700	14,350	500	-1,150	-7.8
Farm machinery & equipment	8,050	7,600	8,500	450	- 450	-5.2
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,450	9,350	10,850	100	-1,400	-13.2
Transportation equipment	5,200	5,150	5,800	50	- 600	-10.4
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,400	2,400	3,050	0	- 650	-21.6
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,550	5,550	5,450	0	100	2.5
Nondurable goods	47,750	46,500	47,000	1,250	750	1.6
Food & kindred products	28,850	27,900	27,800	950	1,050	3.7
Meat products	14,300	14,150	13,150	150	1,150	8.8
Dairy products	1,900	1,900	1,950	0	- 50	-3.3
Grain mill	4,550	4,700	4,700	- 150	- 150	-3.3
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery prod.; sugar & confect. prod; beverages; etc.	8,100	7,150	8,000	950	100	1.2
Textile products & apparel	2,200	2,150	2,300	50	- 100	-4.6
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,650	7,600	7,550	50	100	1.1
Chemicals & allied products	2,750	2,650	2,500	100	250	9.6
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,300	6,200	6,850	100	- 550	-7.4
NONMANUFACTURING	534,100	537,100	532,100	-3,000	2,000	0.4
MINING	1,550	1,500	1,750	50	- 200	-13.9
CONSTRUCTION	34,350	34,450	35,800	- 100	-1,450	-4.0
Building const. - gen. contractors & operative builders	9,700	9,750	10,200	- 50	- 500	-4.8
Construction other than bldg. const. - gen. contractors	8,700	8,900	9,350	- 200	- 650	-7.3
Construction - special trade contractors	15,950	15,800	16,250	150	- 300	-1.6
TRANSPORTATION,COMMUNICATIONS,ELECTRIC,GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	46,200	46,300	47,150	- 100	- 950	-2.0
Railroad transportation	14,850	14,850	15,650	0	- 800	-5.2
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,750	14,850	15,000	- 100	- 250	-1.7
Communication & electric, gas & sanitary services	16,600	16,600	16,500	0	100	0.7

TRADE	165,700	165,100	165,600	600	100	0.1
Wholesale	47,900	47,750	47,550	150	350	0.8
Durable goods	24,300	24,250	24,850	50	- 550	-2.0
Nondurable goods	23,600	23,500	22,700	100	900	3.8
Retail	117,800	117,350	118,050	450	- 250	-0.2
Bldg. mat.,hardware,garden supply & mobile home dealers	6,000	6,000	5,900	0	100	1.5
General merchandise stores	15,150	14,900	16,250	250	-1,100	-6.7
Food stores	15,800	15,850	15,550	- 50	250	1.6
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	16,450	16,500	17,050	- 50	- 600	-3.3
Apparel & accessory stores	6,050	5,950	6,250	100	- 200	-3.8
Furniture, home furnishings & equipment stores	4,250	4,250	4,200	0	50	1.0
Eating & drinking places	42,700	42,600	40,900	100	1,800	4.5
Miscellaneous retail	11,400	11,300	11,950	100	- 550	-4.8
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,400	3,350	3,550	50	- 150	-4.5
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,000	7,950	8,400	50	- 400	-5.0
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	42,750	42,550	41,250	200	1,500	3.7
Banking	10,650	10,600	10,400	50	250	2.9
Insurance	20,550	20,450	19,950	100	600	3.0
Real estate	4,900	4,950	4,650	- 50	250	5.7
Other finance, ins., & real estate(includ. credit agencies other than banks;security & commodity exch. & svcs.;etc.)	6,650	6,550	6,250	100	400	5.8
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	120,250	120,600	116,800	- 350	3,450	2.9
Hotels, rooming houses, camps & other lodging places	7,150	7,350	7,700	- 200	- 550	-7.2
Personal services	6,100	6,050	6,050	50	50	0.5
Business services	18,300	18,350	18,100	- 50	200	1.2
Automotive repair, services, & garages	4,050	4,050	4,050	0	0	0.1
Amusement & recreation	7,100	7,950	6,600	- 850	500	7.3
Health services	42,450	42,250	40,050	200	2,400	6.0
Educational services	8,300	7,950	8,450	350	- 150	-1.7
Social services	6,000	5,800	5,950	200	50	0.5
Membership services	8,500	8,350	8,700	150	- 200	-2.1
Other services(including legal & other professional services; misc. repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,300	12,500	11,150	- 200	1,150	10.2
GOVERNMENT	123,300	126,600	123,750	-3,300	- 450	-0.4
Federal	15,950	16,200	15,700	- 250	250	1.8
State	32,150	35,400	32,300	-3,250	- 150	-0.6
Local	75,200	75,000	75,750	200	- 550	-0.7

1/ Rounded to nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding. Percent of change based on unrounded data.
2/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
3/ Preliminary estimate.
4/ Revised.

NOTE: These estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

OCTOBER 1980 IN REVIEW . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 1,050 from September 1980 to October 1980. This included a gain of 1,950 in manufacturing which was more than counterbalanced by a drop of 3,000 in nonmanufacturing.

The gain of 1,950 in manufacturing included a rise of 700 in durable goods and an increase of 1,250 in nondurable goods. The largest gain in durable goods was in farm machinery and equipment (450). The primary increase in nondurable goods occurred in food processing (950).

Month-to-month increases took place in trade (600), and in finance-insurance-real estate (200). The increase of 600 in trade included a small gain of 150 in wholesale along with an increase of 450 in retail. Over one-half of the increase in retail trade occurred in general merchandise stores (250), reflecting customary seasonal hiring trends.

From September 1980 to October 1980, losses were registered in construction/mining (-50), transportation-communication-utilities (-100), services (-350), and government (-3,300). The largest decline in services occurred in amusement and recreation (-850). The primary reduction in government employment occurred in state government (-3,250), reflecting customary seasonal trends in educational services.

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries dropped by 2,250 from October 1979 to October 1980. This included a decline of 4,250 in manufacturing, which more than offset a gain of 2,000 in nonmanufacturing.

The decline of 4,250 in manufacturing included a decrease of 5,000 in durable goods along with a rise of 750 in nondurable goods. The decrease of 5,000 in durable goods was concentrated in three components of manufacturing: metals (-1,050), machinery except electrical (-1,150), and electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,400). The major gain in nondurable goods was in food processing (1,050, led by a rise in meat products of 1,150).

Year-to-year increases were registered in trade (100), finance-insurance-real estate (1,500), and services (3,450). The increase of 100 in trade included a gain of 350 in wholesale trade, along with a drop of 250 in retail trade. The largest loss in retail trade was in general merchandise stores (-1,100). The majority of the increase in services occurred in health services (2,400).

Year-to-year losses occurred in construction/mining (-1,650), transportation-communication-utilities (-950), and government (-450), led by a drop in local government of 550).

OUTLOOK. . . . .

Employment activity in December 1980 is projected to show a moderate rise in trade, reflecting the customary seasonal trend of increased hiring for the holiday buying season. During the same period, substantial employment reductions are expected for construction/mining and agriculture, following customary seasonal trends. A small dip is anticipated in transportation-communication-utilities. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged for manufacturing, finance-insurance-real estate, service and government.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

OCTOBER 1980

		Available FY to date [2]	Active File	Received FY to Date [2]	Unfilled		Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
					Total	30 days or more			
TOTAL [3]		42,549	30,280	6,090	4,768	3,392	6.99	6.35	71.1
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	5,032	3,747	369	1,582	1,324	13.64	2.37	83.7
2	Clerical and sales	11,227	7,997	1,199	1,768	1,326	9.36	4.52	75.0
	Entry codes 4/	2,077	1,429	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	7,104	5,117	903	1,496	1,188	7.87	3.42	79.4
	25-29 Sales	2,046	1,451	296	272	138	6.91	5.33	50.7
3	Service	7,241	5,302	1,027	520	237	7.05	10.20	45.6
	Entry codes 4/	1,000	722	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	30 Domestic	438	329	125	29	12	3.50	11.34	41.4
	31-39 Other	5,803	4,251	902	491	225	6.43	8.66	45.8
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	1,461	703	370	28	17	3.95	25.11	60.7
5	Processing	1,024	742	250	17	10	4.10	43.65	58.8
6	Machine trades	2,304	1,702	198	115	50	11.64	14.80	43.5
7	Bench work	2,369	1,772	166	80	43	14.27	22.15	53.8
8	Structural work	5,122	3,404	972	275	91	5.27	12.38	33.1
9	Miscellaneous	6,381	4,579	1,539	151	62	4.15	30.32	41.1
	Entry codes 4/	1,152	795	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	2,250	1,607	481	50	14	4.68	32.14	28.0
	92 Packaging, materials handling	2,740	2,015	1,002	71	31	2.73	28.38	43.7
	93-97 Other 5/	239	162	56	30	17	4.27	5.40	56.7

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: 10-1-80 through 10-31-80. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

By Occupation

October 1980

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	5,009	3,688	$8,939/yr	$8,850/yr	2,149	2,407	1,262	1,316
Professional, technical, and managerial	778	679	11,059/yr	11,123/yr	571	591	357	381
Clerical and sales	1,502	1,171	7,790/yr	7,720/yr	829	891	578	553
Service	722	546	3.46/hr	3.51/hr	278	300	131	149
Farming, fishery, forestry, and related	58	68	3.69/hr	3.72/hr	9	23	5	8
Processing	253	113	4.94/hr	4.72/hr	15	30	9	3
Machine trades	286	183	5.25/hr	4.99/hr	98	135	47	51
Bench work	212	160	3.57/hr	3.74/hr	84	88	43	39
Structural work	742	477	4.70/hr	4.56/hr	181	244	62	103
Miscellaneous	456	291	4.49/hr	4.45/hr	84	105	30	29

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[1] Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

October 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Oct 1980[2]	Sep 1980[3]	Oct 1979[3]	Oct 1980[2]	Sep 1980[3]	Oct 1979[3]	Oct 1980[2]	Sep 1980[3]	Oct 1979[3]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$310.49	$312.07	$277.95	40.8	40.9	41.3	$7.61	$7.63	$6.73
Durable goods	307.22	306.20	281.57	40.8	41.1	41.9	7.53	7.45	6.72
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	275.62	269.23	238.05	42.6	42.6	41.4	6.47	6.32	5.75
Primary and fabricated metals	310.06	310.47	274.29	39.7	39.5	41.0	7.81	7.86	6.69
Machinery and transportation equipment	334.53	336.49	309.83	41.3	41.8	42.5	8.10	8.05	7.29
Nondurable goods	313.75	317.09	274.32	40.8	40.6	40.7	7.69	7.81	6.74
Food and kindred products	343.86	345.28	297.77	42.4	41.6	41.3	8.11	8.30	7.21
Meat products	367.98	374.83	335.02	41.3	41.1	42.3	8.91	9.12	7.92
Dairy products	205.35	215.27	202.61	35.9	37.7	37.8	5.72	5.71	5.36
Grain mill products	454.75	421.63	354.16	51.5	48.8	46.6	8.83	8.64	7.60
Bakery products	264.12	250.18	232.21	35.5	33.9	34.3	7.44	7.38	6.77
Other food and kindred products	249.00	239.73	203.50	41.5	39.3	36.8	6.00	6.10	5.53
Printing and publishing	251.30	272.58	248.58	35.9	38.5	39.9	7.00	7.08	6.23
Chemicals and allied products	323.37	329.96	285.29	45.1	45.2	42.9	7.17	7.30	6.65

[1] Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
[2] Preliminary.
[3] Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing declined by $1.58 from September 1980 to October 1980. This included a gain of $1.02 in durable goods that was more than counterbalanced by a loss of $3.34 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $32.54, including a rise of $25.65 in durable goods and a gain of $39.43 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours dropped by 0.1 hours month-to-month, and also declined by 0.3 hours year-to-year.

Average hourly earnings showed a very small dip of $.02 from September 1980 to October 1980, but increased by $.88 from October 1979 to October 1980.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 workers)

September 1980

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Sep 1980 2/	Aug 1980 3/	Sep 1979 3/	Sep 1980 2/	Aug 1980 3/	Sep 1979 3/	Sep 1980 2/	Aug 1980 3/	Sep 1979 3/	Sep 1980 2/	Aug 1980 3/	Sep 1979 3/	Sep 1980 2/	Aug 1980 3/	Sep 1979 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	38	35	47	28	24	43	33	45	42	19	30	32	8	9	3
Durable goods	39	35	51	28	21	47	36	47	40	20	28	32	11	13	4/
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	62	56	80	54	50	78	51	83	71	38	54	60	8	23	2
Furniture and fixtures	15	40	43	14	39	41	22	35	35	13	25	29	8	6	4/
Primary and fabricated metals	42	32	58	16	13	50	34	57	3[illegible]	17	23	29	13	26	4/
Machinery and transportation equipment	30	26	40	23	10	37	31	35	34	13	20	26	14	10	4/
Other durable goods	63	61	71	54	55	66	52	65	50	44	51	43	4/	5	1
Nondurable goods	37	35	42	27	28	39	29	41	44	19	32	32	4	4	6
Food and kindred products	34	35	39	30	31	36	31	44	38	20	37	30	3	2	3
Meat products	34	35	41	33	33	38	24	43	27	17	36	24	1	2	1
Dairy products	25	26	21	25	26	21	26	29	29	23	29	21	4/	4/	3
Grain mill products	19	26	23	14	14	21	31	35	36	9	28	27	5	2	3
Bakery products	31	46	49	24	35	47	44	74	63	31	62	44	5	3	13
Other food and kindred products	52	47	56	47	45	49	48	55	68	33	48	52	7	1	9
Textiles and apparel	55	44	64	48	36	60	55	64	46	52	52	38	1	8	2
Paper and allied products	29	49	30	28	23	28	22	39	46	18	19	26	4/	17	1
Printing and publishing	36	34	53	21	32	50	29	37	52	20	27	43	7	5	4
Chemicals and allied products	14	9	24	14	8	20	16	17	23	4	9	13	8	4/	7
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	60	40	48	21	8	43	25	40	67	11	15	34	6	15	27

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Probram.
NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary. 3/ Revised. 4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing increased from 35 per 1,000 workers in August 1980 to 38 per 1,000 in September 1980. During that period, durable goods increased from 35 per 1,000 to 39 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also rose from 35 per 1,000 to 37 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accessions dropped from 47 per 1,000 to 38 per 1,000. This included a dip from 51 per 1,000 to 39 per 1,000 in durable goods, and also a dip from 42 per 1,000 to 37 per 1,000 in non-durable goods.Separations dropped from 45 per 1,000 in August 1980 to 33 per 1,000 in September 1980. This included a drop in durable goods from 47 per 1,000 to 36 per 1,000, and a decline in nondurable goods from 41 per 1,000 to 29 per 1,000. Year-to-year, separations declined from 42 per 1,000 to 35 per 1,000, including a drop in durable goods from 40 per 1,000 to 36 per 1,000, and in nondurable goods from 44 per 1,000 to 29 per 1,000. Layoffs decreased month-to-month from 9 per 1,000 to 8 per 1,000, but increased year-to-year from 3 per 1,000 to 8 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

October 1980

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)	October 1980	September 1980	October 1979
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	6,094	5,294	3,920
Weeks claimed	37,275	44,774	19,040
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$2,858,859	$3,438,785	$1,457,595
Calendar year to date	$38,648,395	$35,789,536	$20,849,651
Average size of weekly payments	$89.33	$89.41	$88.88
First payments	2,428	2,721	1,546
Exhaustions	1,088	1,170	597
Individuals who drew benefits	11,260	12,763	4,138
Rate of insured unemployment	1.5	1.6	0.7
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$89,558	$97,204	$55,004
Average size of weekly payments	$74.76	$75.06	$78.35
First payments	96	53	66
Exhaustions	29	27	21
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$33,489	$42,682	$14,511
Average size of weekly payments	$87.67	$86.23	$88.48
First payments	25	53	21
Exhaustions	6	7	1
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	36,479	36,403	37,009
Contributions received	$2,976,867	$435,302	$2,838,460
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$80,009,280	$80,333,006	$80,616,653

Extended benefits paid totaled 9,691 weeks for a total of 0.8 million dollars.

UI initial claims received in area claims centers increased from 5,294 in September to 6,094 in October 1980. Weeks claimed decreased from 44,774 in September to 37,275 in October 1980.

UI benefit payments decreased from 3.4 million in September to 2.9 million in October 1980.

The number of insured unemployed decreased from 9,434 in September to 8,692 in October 1980. The rate of insured unemployed decreased from 1.6 percent in September to 1.5 percent in October 1980.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 34.2 million compared to 30.4 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 80.0 million compared to 80.6 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED[1]

October 1980

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	5,380	55.3
Female	4,355	44.7
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	8,497	87.3
All other races	1,238	12.7
AGE:		
Under 22	1,231	12.6
22 - 44	6,204	63.7
45 & over	2,300	23.7
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	4,148	42.6
5 - 14	4,236	43.5
15 & over	1,351	13.9

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	1,551	15.9
Clerical and Sales	2,053	21.1
Services	1,004	10.3
Farm and Related	107	1.1
Processing	327	3.4
Machine Trades	748	7.7
Bench Work	923	9.5
Structural Work	1,625	16.7
Miscellaneous	1,386	14.3
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	1,200	12.3
Manufacturing	3,100	31.8
Durable Goods	1,875	19.3
Nondurable Goods	1,225	12.5
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	390	4.0
Trade (wholesale & retail)	1,945	20.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	293	3.0
Services	1,662	17.1
Government	350	3.6
Other	795	8.2

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[1] Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for October was 9,735.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, OCTOBER 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	253.9	0.9	12.6	254.1	0.9	12.6
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	255.5	0.5	10.1	256.6	0.6	10.5
Food	262.4	0.5	10.2	263.4	0.6	10.5
Food at home	260.0	0.4	10.5	259.7	0.4	10.6
Cereals & bakery products	253.7	1.4	11.8	254.3	1.3	11.6
Meats, poultry, fish, & eggs	252.6	0.3	9.7	251.8	0.2	9.6
Dairy products	232.7	0.9	9.1	233.1	1.0	8.9
Fruits and vegetables	254.2	-1.2	9.6	252.3	-1.4	9.6
Other foods at home	311.5	0.7	12.1	311.7	0.8	12.7
Food away from home	273.1	0.6	9.4	277.4	0.9	10.4
Alcoholic beverages	190.4	0.4	8.2	192.5	0.4	8.8
HOUSING	271.1	1.3	14.1	271.0	1.3	14.0
Shelter	290.4	1.8	15.5	292.0	1.8	15.7
Rent (residential)	197.1	1.0	8.7	196.8	1.0	8.6
Other rental costs	268.8	0.0	11.3	268.8	0.1	11.4
Homeownership	323.8	2.0	17.0	326.7	2.0	17.4
Fuel and other utilities	287.6	-0.2	13.7	288.0	-0.2	13.7
Fuels	362.8	-0.5	16.9	362.1	-0.5	16.8
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	558.7	-0.5	18.7	559.9	-0.5	18.7
Gas (piped) & electricity	317.1	-0.4	16.4	316.0	-0.4	16.1
Household furnishings & operation	210.1	0.4	8.7	206.8	0.4	7.9
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	183.9	0.9	7.5	182.8	0.8	7.0
Men's & boys' apparel	173.9	1.3	5.9	173.8	1.3	5.7
Women's & girls' apparel	159.7	0.4	2.7	160.3	0.3	3.6
Footwear	196.1	1.5	7.4	195.6	1.2	7.5
TRANSPORTATION	256.1	0.5	15.0	256.6	0.5	14.9
Private transportation	254.5	0.5	14.1	255.5	0.6	14.2
Public transportation	273.6	1.0	30.8	266.5	0.8	28.6
MEDICAL CARE	272.8	0.8	10.9	274.3	0.8	11.0
Medical care services	294.8	0.9	11.1	296.6	0.8	11.2
ENTERTAINMENT	210.9	0.5	9.8	209.2	0.5	9.3
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	221.5	0.4	9.5	219.9	0.4	9.2
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	295.3			295.5		

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JOB SERVICE OF NEBRASKA

NEBRASKA Work Trends

November 1980

LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES OF OLDER WORKERS BY SEX, ANNUAL AVERAGES, SELECTED YEARS, 1950-79 1/

	Men		Women	
Years	60 to 64 years	65 years and over	60 to 64 years	65 years and over
1950............	....	45.8	....	9.7
1955............	82.5	39.6	29.0	10.6
1960............	81.1	33.1	31.4	10.8
1965............	78.0	27.9	34.0	10.0
1970............	75.0	26.8	36.1	9.7
1975...........	65.7	21.7	33.3	8.3
1976............	63.7	20.3	33.1	8.2
1977............	62.9	20.1	32.9	8.1
1978............	62.0	20.5	33.1	8.4
1979............	61.8	20.0	33.9	8.3

1/ Source of data: Bureau of Labor Statisitcs, U. S. Department of Labor, as presented in Monthly Labor Review, November 1980.

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA 1/

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

November 1980

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Nov 1980	Oct 1980	Nov 1979	Oct 1980	Nov 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	765,450	766,850	762,250	-1,400	3,200
Employment	732,900	737,750	738,000	-4,850	-5,100
Unemployment	32,550	29,100	24,250	3,450	8,300
Unemployment rate 2/	4.3	3.8	3.2	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	278,700	277,100	278,450	1,600	250
Employment	263,900	263,400	266,950	500	-3,050
Unemployment	14,800	13,700	11,500	1,100	3,300
Unemployment rate 2/	5.3	4.9	4.1	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	112,250	110,700	111,500	1,550	750
Employment	108,500	107,250	108,500	1,250	0
Unemployment	3,750	3,450	3,000	300	750
Unemployment rate 2/	3.3	3.1	2.7	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the 1979 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 238,450 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,250 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment increased by 3,450 from October 1980 to November 1980, reaching a new total of 32,550. The November 1980 total was 8,300 more than in November 1979. The unemployment rate moved upward from 3.8 percent in October 1980 to 4.3 percent in November 1980, and compared to 3.2 percent in November 1979.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA increased by 1,100 from October 1980 to November 1980, and also increased by 3,300 from November 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 4.9 percent in October 1980 to 5.3 percent in November 1980, and compared to 4.1 percent in November 1979.

The number of unemployed in the Lincoln SMSA increased by 300 from October 1980 to November 1980, and also increased by 750 from November 1979. The unemployment rate also increased from 3.1 percent in October 1980 to 3.3 percent in November 1980, and compared to 2.7 percent in November 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to decrease by 7,500 from October 1980 to November 1980, reaching a new total of 757,950. The unemployment segment is projected at 34,550, while the employment segment is projected at 723,400.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [1/]
Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Nov 1980 [2/]	Oct 1980 [3/]	Nov 1979 [3/]	Change From Oct 1980	Change From Nov 1979	Percent Change From Nov 1979
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	628,694	629,281	633,218	-587	-4,524	-7.1
MANUFACTURING	96,497	96,541	100,006	-44	-3,509	-3.5
Durable goods	48,829	48,729	53,446	100	-4,617	-8.6
Construction material	4,969	4,950	5,432	19	- 463	-8.5
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,370	2,366	2,413	4	- 43	-1.8
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,599	2,584	3,019	15	- 420	-13.9
Furniture & fixtures	1,568	1,580	1,744	-12	- 176	-10.1
Metals	8,886	8,920	9,812	-34	- 926	-9.4
Primary metal industries	1,836	1,839	1,918	- 3	- 82	-4.3
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equip.	7,050	7,081	7,894	-31	- 844	-10.7
Machinery except electrical	13,283	13,159	14,211	124	- 928	-6.5
Farm machinery & equipment	7,934	7,939	8,420	- 5	- 486	-5.8
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,479	9,363	10,830	116	-1,351	-12.5
Transportation equipment	5,112	5,201	5,846	-89	- 734	-12.6
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,297	2,386	3,100	-89	- 803	-25.9
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,532	5,556	5,571	-24	- 39	-0.7
Nondurable goods	47,668	47,812	46,560	-144	1,108	2.4
Food & kindred products	28,590	28,839	27,302	-249	1,288	4.7
Meat products	14,535	14,355	13,135	180	1,400	10.7
Dairy products	1,893	1,861	1,901	32	- 8	-0.4
Grain mill	4,409	4,555	4,518	-146	- 109	-2.4
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	7,753	8,068	7,748	-315	5	0.1
Textile products & apparel	2,243	2,194	2,286	49	- 43	-1.9
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,598	7,630	7,585	-32	13	0.2
Chemicals & allied products	2,688	2,748	2,529	-60	159	6.3
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,549	6,401	6,858	148	- 309	-4.5
NONMANUFACTURING	532,197	532,740	533,212	-543	-1,015	-0.2
MINING	1,517	1,545	1,733	-28	- 216	-12.5
CONSTRUCTION	33,345	34,222	34,076	-877	- 731	-2.1
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	9,588	9,903	9,927	-315	- 339	-3.4
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	7,962	8,345	8,193	-383	- 231	-2.8
Construction - special trade contractors	15,795	15,974	15,956	-179	- 161	-1.0
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES	46,487	46,728	46,960	-241	- 473	-1.0
Railroad transportation	15,013	15,149	15,457	-136	- 444	-2.9
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,783	14,941	14,966	-158	- 183	-1.2
Communication & electric, gas & sanitary services	16,691	16,638	16,537	53	154	0.9

TRADE	164,367	164,095	166,340	272	-1,973	-1.2
Wholesale	47,417	47,671	47,385	-254	32	0.1
Durable goods	24,135	24,305	24,628	-170	- 493	-2.0
Nondurable goods	23,282	23,366	22,757	- 84	525	2.3
Retail	116,950	116,424	118,955	526	-2,005	-1.7
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	6,103	6,112	5,920	- 9	183	3.1
General merchandise stores	15,396	14,915	17,049	481	-1,653	-9.7
Food stores	15,747	15,816	15,544	- 69	203	1.3
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	16,415	16,440	17,049	- 25	- 634	-3.7
Apparel & accessory stores	6,166	6,026	6,462	140	- 296	-4.6
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,205	4,177	4,247	28	- 42	-1.0
Eating & drinking places	41,195	41,479	40,521	-284	674	1.7
Miscellaneous retail	11,723	11,459	12,163	264	- 440	-3.6
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,565	3,422	3,683	143	- 118	-3.2
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,158	8,037	8,480	121	- 322	-3.8
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	42,748	42,788	41,412	- 40	1,336	3.2
Banking	10,674	10,713	10,415	- 39	259	2.5
Insurance	20,497	20,544	19,990	- 47	507	2.5
Real estate	4,889	4,913	4,729	- 24	160	3.4
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,688	6,618	6,278	70	410	6.5
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	119,551	120,122	116,423	-571	3,128	2.7
Hotels, rooming houses, camps & other lodging places	6,925	7,091	7,532	-166	- 607	-8.1
Personal services	6,075	6,076	6,071	- 1	4	0.1
Business services	18,191	18,238	18,051	- 47	140	0.8
Automotive repair, services, & garages	4,081	4,051	4,049	30	32	0.8
Amusement & recreation	6,782	7,116	6,288	-334	494	7.9
Health services	42,456	42,390	40,172	66	2,284	5.7
Educational services	8,615	8,464	8,659	151	- 44	-0.5
Social services	6,000	5,967	5,921	33	79	1.3
Membership services	8,408	8,451	8,651	- 43	- 243	-2.8
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,018	12,278	11,029	-260	989	9.0
GOVERNMENT	124,182	123,240	126,268	942	-2,086	-1.7
Federal	15,919	16,033	15,893	-114	26	0.2
State	33,059	32,139	33,356	920	- 297	-0.9
Local	75,204	75,068	77,019	136	-1,815	-2.4

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

2/ Preliminary estimate.

3/ Revised.

NOVEMBER 1980 IN REVIEW . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 587 from October 1980 to November 1980. The preponderant majority of this rise was in nonmanufacturing (-543).

The very small drop of 44 in manufacturing resulted from a decline of 144 in nondurable goods slightly offsetting a gain of 100 in durable goods. The primary loss in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (-249).

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (942) and trade (272). The increase in government was primarily a result of a seasonal increase of hourly employees in state government educational services. The increase in trade included a drop of 254 in wholesale trade more than counterbalanced by a rise in retail trade. of 526 (+481 in general merchandise stores).

Month-to-month decreases occurred in construction/mining (-905), services (-571), transportation-communication-utilities (-241), and finance-insurance-real estate (-40). The majority of the decrease in services was in amusement and recreation (-334).

ANNUAL CHANGES. . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries dropped by 4,524 from November 1979 to November 1980. Over three-fourths of that decline occurred in manufacturing (-3,509).

The drop of 3,509 in manufacturing included a gain of 1,108 in nondurable goods more than offset by a reduction in durable goods employment of 4,617. The chief gain in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (1,288). Over two-thirds of the loss in durable goods occurred in three industrial categories: (1) electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,351); (2) machinery except electrical (-928), and metals (-926).

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (3,128) and finance-insurance-real estate (1,336). The largest gain in services was in health services (2,284).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in government (-2,086), trade (-1,973), construction/mining (-947), and transportation-communication-utilities (-473). The decrease of 1,973 in trade included a very slight gain of 32 in wholesale trade, along with a loss of 2,005 in retail trade. The major drop in retail trade occurred in general merchandise stores (-1,653). The primary employment reduction in government was in local government (-1,815).

OUTLOOK . . . .

Employment activity in January 1981 is projected to show a moderate downward adjustment in trade, following the holiday buying season. Relatively minor reductions are expected in service and government. A small seasonal decrease is anticipated for agriculture. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in construction/mining, manufacturing, transportation-communication-utilities, and finance-insurance-real estate.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

NOVEMBER 1980

		Applicants Available FY to date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings			Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
				Received FY to date 2/	Unfilled				
					Total	30 days or more			
TOTAL 3/		52,164	34,123	10,210	4,790	3,780	5.11	7.12	78.9
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	5,721	3,910	656	1,698	1,492	8.72	2.30	87.9
2	Clerical and sales	13,169	8,479	1,977	1,807	1,448	6.66	4.69	80.1
	Entry codes 4/	2,461	1,502	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	8,239	5,379	1,468	1,539	1,272	5.61	3.50	82.7
	25-29 Sales	2,469	1,598	509	268	176	4.85	5.96	65.7
3	Service	8,588	5,747	1,918	470	296	4.48	12.23	63.0
	Entry codes 4/	1,218	783	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	30 Domestic	507	341	279	28	17	1.82	12.18	60.7
	31-39 Other	6,863	4,623	860	442	279	7.98	10.46	63.1
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	1,717	747	507	18	12	3.39	41.50	66.7
5	Processing	1,406	992	420	20	13	3.35	49.60	65.0
6	Machine trades	2,742	1,864	324	107	70	8.46	17.42	65.4
7	Bench work	2,721	1,889	306	77	32	8.89	24.53	41.6
8	Structural work	6,063	3,667	1,471	210	112	4.12	17.46	53.3
9	Miscellaneous	7,545	5,053	2,628	151	73	2.87	33.46	48.3
	Entry codes 4/	1,351	900	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	2,672	1,745	870	53	18	3.07	32.92	34.0
	92 Packaging, materials handling	3,252	2,236	1,666	66	34	1.95	33.88	51.5
	93-97 Other 5/	270	172	92	32	21	2.93	5.38	65.6

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: 10-1-80 through 11-30-80. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

NOTE: The data customarily included on the following page, headed "Job Openings in Nebraska Job Service Offices" has not been processed in time for inclusion in this publication. Specific data requests may be directed to us later this month, and the November 1980 data will be included in the next issue to preserve the continuity of the series.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

November 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EAENINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Nov 1980 2/	Oct 1980 3/	Nov 1979 3/	Nov 1980 2/	Oct 1980 3/	Nov 1979 3/	Nov 1980 2/	Oct 1980 3/	Nov 1979 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$317.29	$312.42	$284.13	41.1	41.0	41.6	$7.72	$7.62	$6.83
Durable goods	313.05	309.55	285.11	41.3	41.0	41.5	7.58	7.55	6.87
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	273.07	271.99	231.24	42.6	42.9	39.8	6.41	6.34	5.81
Primary and fabricated metals	318.71	311.26	279.20	40.6	39.6	40.7	7.85	7.86	6.86
Machinery and transportation equipment	341.51	338.62	312.48	41.8	41.6	42.0	8.17	8.14	7.44
Nondurable goods	322.67	315.29	283.82	41.0	41.0	41.8	7.87	7.69	6.79
Food and kindred products	357.41	346.34	308.13	42.6	42.6	42.5	8.39	8.13	7.25
Meat products	390.18	376.89	336.05	42.0	42.3	42.7	9.29	8.91	7.87
Dairy products	209.30	209.96	198.93	35.9	36.9	36.5	5.83	5.69	5.45
Grain mill products	460.20	431.08	390.26	52.0	48.6	48.3	8.85	8.87	8.08
Bakery products	265.36	264.12	247.35	35.1	35.5	35.9	7.56	7.44	6.89
Other food and kindred products	240.40	249.42	216.00	40.2	41.5	40.0	5.98	6.01	5.40
Printing and publishing	263.00	253.50	262.06	37.2	36.9	41.4	7.07	6.87	6.33
Chemicals and allied products	314.79	309.74	299.53	43.6	42.9	43.6	7.22	7.22	6.87

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $4.87 from October 1980 to November 1980. This included a gain of $3.50 in durable goods and a rise of $7.38 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $33.16, including an increase of $27.94 in durable goods and an increase of $38.95 in nondurable goods. Average weekly hours increased by 0.1 hours month-to-month, but dropped by 0.5 hours year-to-year. From October 1980 to November 1980, average hourly earnings increased by $.10, and from November 1979 to November 1980 they rose by $.89.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 workers)

October 1980

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Oct 1980 2/	Sep 1980 3/	Oct 1979 3/	Oct 1980 2/	Sep 1980 3/	Oct 1979 3/	Oct 1980 2/	Sep 1980 3/	Oct 1979 3/	Oct 1980 2/	Sep 1980 3/	Oct 1979 3/	Oct 1980 2/	Sep 1980 3/	Oct 1979 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	33	38	45	27	28	42	34	33	43	18	20	30	10	8	5
Durable goods	26	39	44	20	28	41	35	36	41	17	20	27	13	11	5
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	50	62	57	44	54	55	53	51	60	34	38	50	3	8	4
Furniture and fixtures	8	15	16	8	14	15	53	22	39	13	13	29	30	8	1
Primary and fabricated metals	26	42	43	17	16	37	30	34	53	12	17	26	15	13	14
Machinery and transportation equipment	18	30	38	12	23	36	30	31	31	11	13	20	15	14	3
Other durable goods	50	63	73	45	54	69	47	52	53	39	44	45	4/	4/	4/
Nondurable goods	41	37	47	35	28	43	33	30	47	19	20	35	8	4	6
Food and kindred products	41	34	46	37	30	43	38	31	51	21	20	35	10	3	9
Meat products	49	34	50	44	33	48	37	24	44	24	17	32	4	1	5
Dairy products	8	25	17	8	25	17	13	26	42	10	23	33	4/	4/	4/
Grain mill products	24	19	23	22	14	20	44	31	58	9	9	32	32	5	21
Bakery products	40	31	44	1	24	37	28	44	44	6	31	34	6	5	5
Other food and kindred products	45	52	79	43	41	71	45	48	68	28	33	48	12	7	9
Textiles and apparel	64	55	38	42	48	38	78	55	57	37	52	50	36	1	2
Paper and allied products	35	29	41	31	28	41	26	22	33	22	18	27	4/	4/	4/
Printing and publishing	32	36	47	27	21	44	25	29	41	17	20	35	1	7	1
Chemicals and allied products	36	26	26	36	25	25	12	21	16	4	8	12	5	8	4/
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	50	60	68	36	21	59	18	25	52	8	11	38	3	6	8

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.
NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary. 3/ Revised. 4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing dropped from 38 per 1,000 workers in September 1980 to 33 per 1,000 workers in October 1980. Durable goods dropped from 39 per 1,000 in September 1980 to 26 per 1,000 in October 1980, and nondurable goods increased from 37 per 1,000 in September 1980 to 41 per 1,000 in October 1980. Year-to-year, accessions also declined from 45 per 1,000 in October 1979 to 33 per 1,000 in October 1980, including a drop in durable goods from 44 per 1,000 to 26 per 1,000, and also a dip in nondurable goods from 47 per 1,000 to 41 per 1,000. Separation rates increased month-to-month from 33 per 1,000 to 34 per 1,000, but dropped year-to-year from 43 per 1,000 to 34 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

November 1980

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)	November 1980	October 1980	November 1979
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	6,256	6,094	6,132
Weeks claimed	36,860	37,275	21,167
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$2,743,671	$2,858,859	$1,602,963
Calendar year to date	$41,392,066	$38,648,395	$22,452,614
Average size of weekly payments	$90.35	$89.33	$89.51
First payments	2,627	2,428	2,021
Exhaustions	1,032	1,088	507
Individuals who drew benefits	11,301	11,260	6,152
Rate of insured unemployment	1.5	1.5	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$83,179	$89,558	$52,625
Average size of weekly payments	$73.94	$74.76	$80.10
First payments	50	96	44
Exhaustions	30	29	8
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMENT (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$28,323	$33,489	$20,461
Average size of weekly payments	$89.35	$87.67	$87.82
First payments	30	25	44
Exhaustions	6	6	0
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	36,642	36,479	37,085
Contributions received	$2,590,591	$2,976,867	$3,002,584
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$81,858,341	$80,009,280	$81,852,943

Extended benefits paid totalled 7,098 weeks for 0.6 million dollars.

UI initial claims received in area claims centers increased from 6,094 in October to 6,256 in November 1980. Weeks claimed decreased from 37,275 in October to 36,860 in November 1980.

UI benefit payments decreased from 2.9 million in October 1980 to 2.7 million in November 1980.

The number of insured unemployed increased from 8,692 in October 1980 to 9,174 in November 1980. The rate of insured unemployment remained the same at 1.5%.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 36.8 million compared to 33.4 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 81.9 million, the same as one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED[1]

November 1980

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	6,162	58.6
Female	4,348	41.4
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	9,299	88.5
All other races	1,211	11.5
AGE:		
Under 22	1,355	12.9
22 - 44	6,622	63.0
45 and over	2,533	24.1
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	5,078	48.3
5 - 14	4,085	38.9
15 and over	1,347	12.8

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	1,568	14.9
Clerical and Sales	2,010	19.1
Services	1,023	9.7
Farm and Related	156	1.5
Processing	353	3.4
Machine Trades	784	7.5
Bench Work	923	8.8
Structural Work	2,111	20.0
Miscellaneous	1,582	15.1
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	1,519	14.5
Manufacturing	3,414	32.5
Durable Goods	2,169	20.6
Nondurable Goods	1,245	11.8
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	386	3.7
Trade (wholesale & retail)	2,042	19.4
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	280	2.7
Services	1,614	15.4
Government	361	3.4
Other	894	8.5

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[1] Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for November was 10,510.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, NOVEMBER 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	256.2	0.9	12.6	256.4	0.9	12.7
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	257.4	0.7	10.4	258.7	0.8	11.0
Food	264.5	0.8	10.6	265.7	0.9	11.1
Food at home	262.1	0.8	11.1	262.0	0.9	11.3
Cereals & bakery products	255.8	0.8	11.8	256.8	1.0	11.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	254.9	0.9	10.7	254.2	1.0	10.5
Dairy products	235.4	1.2	9.0	235.9	1.2	9.1
Fruits and vegetables	253.3	-0.4	10.4	251.4	-0.4	10.9
Other foods at home	314.8	1.1	12.6	315.7	1.3	13.4
Food away from home	275.3	0.8	9.6	279.5	0.8	10.6
Alcoholic beverages	190.9	0.3	7.6	192.8	0.2	8.3
HOUSING	273.8	1.0	13.7	273.7	1.0	13.7
Shelter	294.7	1.5	15.2	296.4	1.5	15.4
Rent (residential)	198.3	0.6	8.9	198.0	0.6	8.9
Other rental costs	268.3	-0.2	10.4	268.4	-0.1	10.6
Homeownership	329.4	1.7	16.6	332.3	1.7	17.0
Fuel and other utilities	285.7	-0.7	13.4	286.3	-0.6	13.4
Fuels	358.7	-1.1	16.8	358.2	-1.1	16.7
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	567.0	1.5	18.8	568.3	1.5	18.8
Gas (piped) & electricity	310.5	-2.1	16.2	309.8	-2.0	16.0
Household furnishings & operation	211.0	0.4	8.1	208.1	0.6	7.7
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	184.8	0.5	7.6	183.3	0.3	7.0
Men's & boys' apparel	174.8	0.5	5.7	174.8	0.6	5.7
Women's & girls' apparel	159.9	0.1	3.1	159.9	-0.2	3.5
Footwear	196.5	0.2	6.9	196.4	0.4	7.2
TRANSPORTATION	259.0	1.1	15.2	259.7	1.2	15.1
Private transportation	257.4	1.1	14.4	258.6	1.2	14.6
Public transportation	277.0	1.2	27.9	269.2	1.0	25.8
MEDICAL CARE	274.5	0.6	10.7	276.3	0.7	10.9
Medical care services	296.6	0.6	10.8	298.7	0.7	11.1
ENTERTAINMENT	211.2	0.1	9.5	209.9	0.3	9.3
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	222.8	0.6	9.8	221.0	0.5	9.4
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	297.9			298.2		

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DECEMBER 1980

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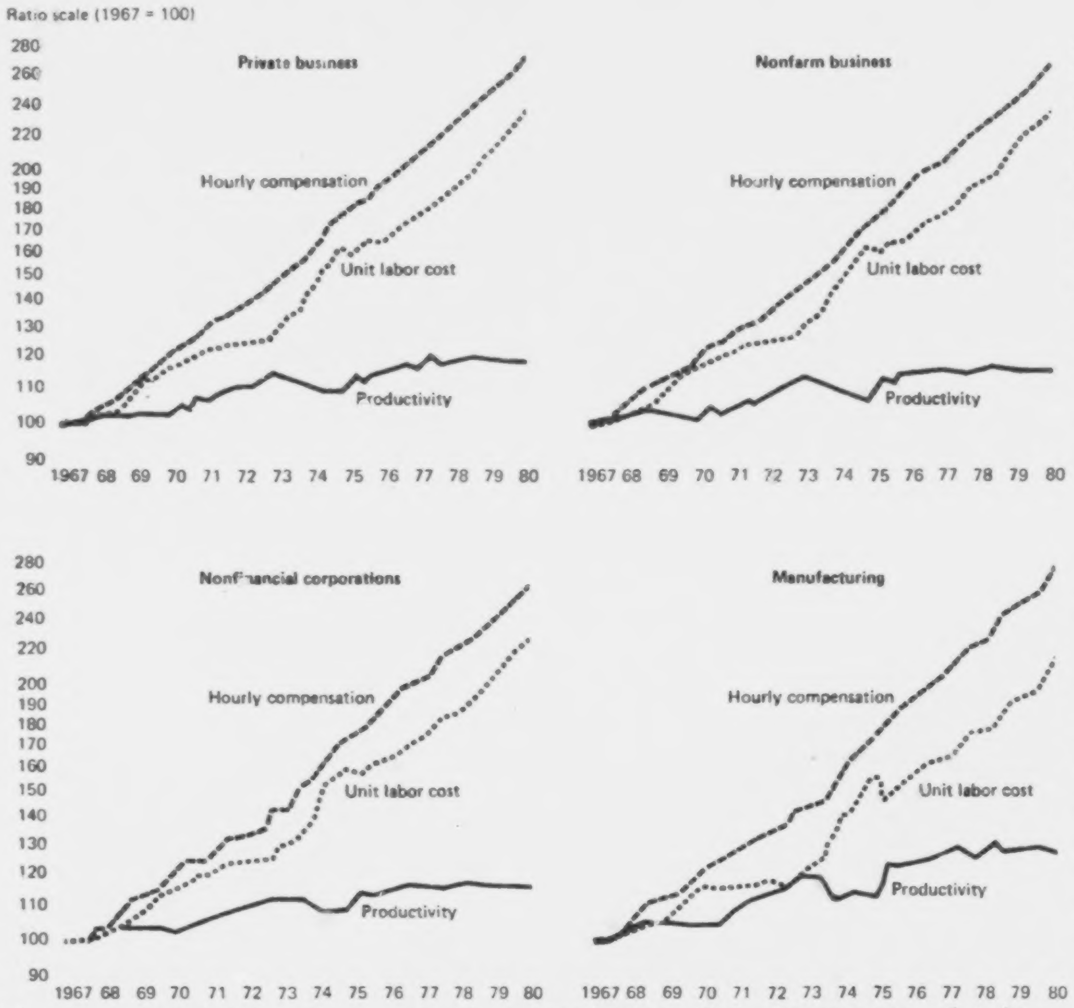

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1/]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

December 1980

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Dec 1980	Nov 1980	Dec 1979	Nov 1980	Dec 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	763,950	768,650	767,850	-4,700	-3,900
Employment	727,500	736,000	736,300	-8,500	-8,800
Unemployment	36,450	32,650	31,550	3,800	4,900
Unemployment rate 2/	4.8	4.2	4.1	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	279,800	278,400	284,050	1,400	-4,250
Employment	264,100	263,700	270,300	400	-6,200
Unemployment	15,700	14,700	13,750	1,000	1,950
Unemployment rate 2/	5.6	5.3	4.8	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	110,650	110,400	112,400	250	-1,750
Employment	106,200	106,650	108,400	- 450	-2,200
Unemployment	4,450	3,750	4,000	700	450
Unemployment rate 2/	4.0	3.4	3.3	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 238,950 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,850 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment increased by 3,800 from November 1980 to December 1980, reaching a new total of 36,450. The December 1980 total was 4,900 more than in December 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 4.2 percent in November 1980 to 4.8 percent in December 1980, and compared to 4.1 percent in December 1980.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA increased by 1,000 from November 1980 to December 1980, and also increased by 1,950 from December 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 5.3 percent in November 1980 to 5.6 percent in December 1980, and compared to 4.8 percent in December 1979.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA increased by 700 from November 1980 to December 1980, and also increased by 450 from December 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 3.4 percent in November 1980 to 4.0 percent in December 1980, and compared to 3.3 percent in December 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to decrease by 8,000 from December 1980 to January 1981, reaching a new total of 755,950. The unemployment segment is projected as 41,500, while the employment segment is projected as 714,450.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [1/]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Dec 1980 [2/]	Nov 1980 [3/]	Dec 1979 [3/]	Change From Nov 1980	Change From Dec 1979	Percent Change From Dec 1979
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	632,401	633,008	641,303	-607	-8,902	- 1.4
MANUFACTURING	95,969	95,977	100,469	- 8	-4,500	- 4.5
Durable goods	48,258	48,266	52,627	- 8	-4,369	- 8.3
Construction material	4,808	4,926	5,143	-118	- 335	- 6.5
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,328	2,333	2,257	- 5	71	3.1
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,480	2,593	2,886	-113	- 406	-14.1
Furniture & fixtures	1,639	1,684	1,811	- 45	- 172	- 9.5
Metals	8,828	8,881	9,644	- 53	- 816	- 8.5
Primary metal industries	1,802	1,845	1,948	- 43	- 146	- 7.5
Fabricated metal prod., except mach. & trans. equipment	7,026	7,036	7,696	- 10	- 670	- 8.7
Machinery except electrical	12,626	12,584	13,733	42	-1,107	- 8.1
Farm machinery & equipment	7,425	7,399	8,118	- 26	- 693	- 8.5
Electrical & electronic machinery, equip. & supplies	9,650	9,657	10,917	- 7	-1,267	-11.6
Transportation equipment	5,053	4,980	5,866	73	- 813	-13.9
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,382	2,328	3,132	54	- 750	-23.9
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,654	5,554	5,513	100	141	2.6
Nondurable goods	47,711	47,711	47,842	0	- 131	- 0.3
Food & kindred products	27,988	28,253	28,144	-265	- 156	- 0.6
Meat products	13,845	13,719	13,969	126	- 124	- 0.9
Dairy products	1,849	1,860	1,853	- 11	- 4	- 0.2
Grain mill	4,638	4,649	4,612	- 11	26	0.6
Other food prod., (including canned & preserved prod.; bakery prod.; sugar & confect. prod.; beverages; etc.)	7,656	8,025	7,710	-369	- 54	- 0.7
Textile products & apparel	2,442	2,411	2,379	31	63	2.6
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,801	7,684	7,631	117	170	2.2
Chemicals & allied products	2,637	2,625	2,529	12	108	4.3
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,843	6,738	7,159	105	- 316	- 4.4
NONMANUFACTURING	536,432	537,031	540,834	-599	-4,402	- 0.8
MINING	1,521	1,614	1,707	- 93	- 186	-10.9
CONSTRUCTION	28,302	29,910	30,465	-1,608	-2,163	- 7.1
Building const. - gen. cont. & operative bldrs.	8,282	8,695	9,297	-413	-1,015	-10.9
Construction other than bldg. const. - gen. contractors	5,393	6,159	5,398	-766	- 5	- 0.1
Construction - special trade contractors	14,627	15,056	15,770	-429	-1,143	- 7.2
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	47,511	47,931	48,088	-379	- 577	- 1.2
Railroad transportation	15,866	16,374	16,164	-508	- 298	- 1.8
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transp. & warehousing; etc.)	14,806	14,760	15,224	46	- 418	- 2.7
Communication & electric, gas & sanitary services	16,839	16,797	16,700	42	139	0.8

TRADE	165,631	163,999	169,202	1,632	-3,571	- 2.1
Wholesale	48,486	48,512	49,074	- 26	- 588	- 1.2
Durable goods	24,564	24,555	25;228	9	- 664	- 2.6
Nondurable goods	23,922	23,957	23,846	- 35	76	0.3
Retail	117,145	115,487	120,128	1,658	-2,983	- 2.5
Bldg. mat., hardware, garden supply & mobile home dealers	7,080	6,914	6,131	166	949	15.5
General merchandise stores	16,592	15,674	18,554	918	-1,962	-10.6
Food stores	15,816	15,766	16,178	50	- 362	- 2.2
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	15,785	15,866	16,113	- 81	- 328	- 2.0
Apparel & accessory stores	6,870	6,495	7,333	375	- 463	- 6.3
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,149	4,080	4,314	69	- 165	- 3.8
Eating & drinking places	37,944	38,211	38,731	- 267	- 787	- 2.0
Miscellaneous retail	12,909	12,481	12,774	428	135	1.1
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,851	3,704	3,728	147	123	3.3
Other miscell. retail (including liquor stores; sporting good stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	9,058	8,777	9,046	281	12	0.1
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	43,457	43,360	41,499	97	1,958	4.7
Banking	10,744	10,673	10,489	71	255	2.4
Insurance	20,691	20,681	20,136	10	555	2.8
Real estate	4,411	4,471	4,537	- 60	- 126	- 2.8
Other finance, ins. & real estate (includ. credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exch. & svcs.; etc.)	7,611	7,535	6,337	76	1,274	20.1
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	117,109	117,522	115,983	- 413	1,126	1.0
Hotels, rooming houses, camps & other lodging places	6,769	6,879	6,701	- 110	68	1.0
Personal services	6,345	6,249	6,053	97	292	4.8
Business services	16,899	17,018	17,736	- 119	- 837	- 4.7
Automotive repair, services, & garages	3,788	3,796	3,830	- 8	- 42	- 1.1
Amusement & recreation	5,886	5,922	5,450	- 36	436	8.0
Health services	42,772	42,693	40,434	79	2,338	5.8
Educational services	7,662	7,782	9,375	- 120	-1,713	-18.3
Social services	6,067	6,183	6,320	- 116	- 253	- 4.0
Membership services	8,929	8,841	8,898	88	31	0.3
Other services (including legal & other profess. services; misc. repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	11,992	12,159	11,186	- 167	806	7.2
GOVERNMENT	132,901	132,695	133,890	206	- 989	- 0.7
Federal	16,000	15,936	15,886	64	114	0.7
State	33,638	33,059	34,143	579	- 505	- 1.5
Local	83,263	83,700	83,861	- 437	- 598	- 0.7

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

2/ Preliminary estimate.

3/ Revised.

DECEMBER 1980 IN REVIEW. . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 607 from November 1980 to December 1980. This included a very slight drop of eight in manufacturing, along with a drop of 599 in nonmanufacturing.

The small dip in manufacturing occurred entirely in durable goods, as nondurable goods employment held steady from the previous month.

Month-to-month increases occurred in trade (1,632), government (206), and finance-insurance-real estate (97). The increase in trade included a seasonal gain of 1,658 in retail trade, along with a very small reduction of 26 in wholesale trade. Over one-half of the increase in retail trade occurred in general merchandise stores. The primary increase in government occurred in state educational services, reflecting customary seasonal fluctuations of temporary workers.

Month-to-month decreases occurred in construction/mining (-1,701), services (-413), and transportation-communication-utilities (-379).

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries was 8,902 less in December 1980 that it had been in December 1979. This included a decrease of 4,500 in manufacturing, along with a drop of 4,402 in nonmanufacturing.

The reduction of 4,500 in manufacturing employment occurred almost entirely in durable goods (-4,369), with over one-half of that loss in two categories: machinery except electrical (-1,107), and electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,267). Nondurable goods had a small drop of 131.

Year-to-year increases occurred in finance-insurance-real estate (1,958), and in services (1,126). About two-thirds of the increase in finance-insurance-real estate occurred in other finance, insurance and real estate, particularly in savings and loans employment. The primary gainer in services was health services (2,338).

Year-to-year losses occurred in trade (-3,571), construction/mining (-2,349), government (-989), and transportation-communication-real estate (-577). The decrease of 3,571 in trade included a dip of 588 in wholesale trade, along with a reduction in retail trade employment of 2,983. Almost two-thirds of the loss in retail trade was in the field of general merchandise stores (-1,962).

OUTLOOK. . . . .

Employment activity in February 1981 is projected to show small seasonal dips in construction/mining and trade. Manufacturing is anticipated to have a slight drop. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged for transportation-communication-utilities, finance-insurance-real estate, service, government and agriculture.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1/]

DECEMBER 1980

		Applicants Available FY to date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings			Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
				Received FY to date 2/	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more			
TOTAL 3/		59,833	31,022	14,134	4,576	3,521	4.23	6.78	76.9
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	6,467	3,430	969	1,628	1,411	6.67	2.11	86.7
2	Clerical and sales	14,941	7,146	2,901	1,796	1,401	5.15	3.98	78.0
	Entry codes 4/	2,780	1,200	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	9,301	4,516	2,207	1,590	1,254	4.21	2.84	78.9
	25-29 Sales	2,860	1,430	694	206	147	4.12	6.94	71.4
3	Service	9,909	5,266	2,852	459	241	3.47	11.47	52.5
	Entry codes 4/	1,443	668	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	30 Domestic	575	313	384	27	16	1.50	11.59	59.3
	31-39 Other	7,891	4,285	2,468	432	225	3.20	9.92	52.1
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	1,941	645	543	19	12	3.57	33.95	63.2
5	Processing	1,537	874	584	24	4	2.63	36.42	16.7
6	Machine trades	3,138	1,741	446	101	59	7.04	17.24	58.4
7	Bench work	3,082	1,712	410	53	32	7.52	32.30	60.4
8	Structural work	7,185	3,846	1,842	145	76	3.90	26.52	52.4
9	Miscellaneous	8,751	4,824	3,584	119	53	2.44	40.54	44.5
	Entry codes 4/	1,544	786	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	3,139	1,728	1,291	45	11	2.43	38.40	24.4
	92 Packaging, materials handling	3,765	2,144	2,180	47	22	1.73	45.62	46.8
	93-97 Other 5/	303	166	113	27	20	2.68	6.15	74.1

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).
2/ Period covered: 10-1-80 through 12-31-80. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.
3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.
4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.
5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

By Occupation

November 1980

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	4,042	5,009	$8,856/yr	$8,939/yr	2,154	2,149	1,391	1,262
Professional, technical and managerial	735	778	11,089/yr	11,059/yr	638	571	453	357
Clerical and sales	1,277	1,502	7,854/yr	7,790/yr	885	829	618	578
Service	639	722	3.45/hr	3.46/hr	218	278	137	131
Farming, fishery, forestry and related	46	58	3.94/hr	3.69/hr	10	9	[2]	5
Processing	161	253	4.88/hr	4.94/hr	11	15	5	9
Machine trades	184	286	4.83/hr	5.25/hr	89	98	54	47
Bench work	208	212	3.77/hr	3.57/hr	85	84	40	43
Structural work	442	742	4.65/hr	4.70/hr	137	181	60	62
Miscellaneous	350	456	4.56/hr	4.49/hr	81	84	24	30

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[1] Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

[2] Information not available.

NOTE: Data for November 1980 have been included in this issue - in addition to data for December 1980 - in order to preserve the continuity of the series. November 1980 data had not been available in time for inclusion in the previous issue.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

By Occupation

December 1980

	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,355	4,042	$9,107/yr	$8,856/yr	1,557	2,154	762	1,391
Professional, technical and managerial	691	735	11,248/yr	11,089/yr	528	638	332	453
Clerical and sales	975	1,277	8,116/yr	7,854/yr	520	885	229	618
Service	612	639	3.41/hr	3.45/hr	209	218	79	137
Farming, fishery, forestry and related	40	46	3.90/hr	3.94/hr	10	10	1	2/
Processing	159	161	4.81/hr	3.88/hr	16	11	3	5
Machine trades	159	184	4.93/hr	4.83/hr	80	89	38	54
Bench work	161	208	3.85/hr	3.77/hr	32	85	24	40
Structural work	284	442	4.71/hr	4.65/hr	97	137	38	60
Miscellaneous	274	350	5.26/hr	4.56/hr	65	81	18	24

1/ Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

2/ Information not available.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

December 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Dec 1980 [2]	Nov 1980 [3]	Dec 1979 [3]	Dec 1980 [2]	Nov 1980 [3]	Dec 1979 [3]	Dec 1980 [2]	Nov 1980 [3]	Dec 1979 [3]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$309.87	$314.57	$290.79	40.4	40.8	42.7	$7.67	$7.71	$6.81
Durable goods	301.38	311.88	287.67	40.4	41.2	43.0	7.46	7.57	6.69
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	251.70	272.61	239.17	39.7	42.2	40.4	6.34	6.46	5.92
Primary and fabricated metals	302.19	318.33	287.58	38.3	40.5	41.2	7.89	7.86	6.98
Machinery and transportation equipment	333.18	341.51	313.98	41.7	41.8	44.6	7.99	8.17	7.04
Nondurable goods	317.97	318.33	293.56	40.3	40.5	42.3	7.89	7.86	6.94
Food and kindred products	356.15	352.37	320.66	41.9	41.8	43.1	8.50	8.43	7.44
Meat products	381.61	387.58	349.80	41.3	41.9	43.4	9.24	9.25	8.06
Dairy products	226.13	211.76	190.64	37.5	36.7	35.5	6.03	5.77	5.37
Grain mill products	473.30	450.28	395.77	49.2	47.1	48.8	9.62	9.56	8.11
Bakery products	251.66	264.65	250.11	33.6	35.1	36.3	7.49	7.54	6.89
Other food and kindred products	241.20	237.61	223.18	40.0	39.8	40.8	6.03	5.97	5.47
Printing and publishing	252.65	263.34	265.56	37.1	37.3	41.3	6.81	7.06	6.43
Chemicals and allied products	317.02	319.42	300.83	44.4	44.8	44.9	7.14	7.13	6.70

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[1] Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

[2] Preliminary.

[3] Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing decreased by $4.70 from November 1980 to December 1980, including a substantial drop of $10.50 in durable goods along with a very slight dip of $.36 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $19.08, including a rise of $13.71 in durable goods and a gain of $24.41 in nondurable goods. Average weekly hours dropped by 0.4 hours, month-to-month, and also decreased by 2.3 hours year-to-year. Average hourly earnings showed a very small drop of $.04 from November 1980 to December 1980, but gained by $.86 from December 1979 to December 1980.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

November 1980

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Nov 2/ 1980	Oct 3/ 1980	Nov 3/ 1979	Nov 2/ 1980	Oct 3/ 1980	Nov 3/ 1979	Nov 2/ 1980	Oct 3/ 1980	Nov 3/ 1979	Nov 2/ 1980	Oct 3/ 1980	Nov 3/ 1979	Nov 2/ 1980	Oct 3/ 1980	Nov 1979
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	25	33	30	19	27	27	24	35	37	11	18	23	8	11	8
Durable goods	21	26	29	14	20	26	23	35	36	9	17	20	9	12	10
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	26	50	38	23	44	35	39	53	68	13	34	31	18	3	33
Furniture and fixtures	14	8	7	12	8	6	22	53	35	15	13	22	4/	30	6
Primary and fabricated metals	28	26	34	12	17	29	25	30	39	7	12	20	16	15	13
Machinery and trans. equipment	15	18	24	9	12	22	17	30	30	6	11	16	5	15	8
Other durable goods	39	51	46	32	46	43	40	48	38	24	40	31	10	4/	4/
Nondurable goods	28	41	31	25	35	27	25	34	39	13	19	27	7	9	6
Food and kindred products	29	45	32	25	41	29	26	41	39	14	23	26	7	11	7
Meat products	34	50	33	29	44	31	23	37	36	17	24	31	1	4	4/
Dairy products	18	8	16	18	8	16	6	13	19	3	10	14	4/	4/	4/
Grain mill products	19	24	24	16	22	20	40	44	44	6	9	13	31	32	28
Bakery products	24	40	32	23	40	27	15	40	34	11	6	27	1	6	1
Other food and kindred products	35	45	49	26	43	41	32	45	49	20	20	36	8	12	5
Textiles and apparel	49	64	35	40	42	32	32	78	41	22	37	33	5	36	4
Paper and allied products	20	35	19	20	31	18	13	26	21	9	22	15	4/	4/	1
Printing and publishing	27	31	30	25	27	28	24	31	41	15	19	30	4	5	3
Chemicals and allied products	11	36	22	10	36	20	24	12	11	5	4	8	15	5	4/
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	26	50	34	23	36	22	24	18	55	8	8	33	10	3	15

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program. NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary. 3/ Revised. 4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing dropped from 33 per 1,000 workers in October 1980 to 25 per 1,000 in November 1980. During that period, durable goods manufacturing accession rates dropped from 26 per 1,000 to 21 per 1,000, while nondurable goods decreased from 41 per 1,000 to 28 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accessions decreased from 30 per 1,000 to 25 per 1,000, including a drop in durable goods from 29 per 1,000 to 21 per 1,000, and a decline in nondurable goods from 31 per 1,000 to 28 per 1,000. Separations declined, month-to-month, from 35 per 1,000 to 24 per 1,000, including a drop in durable goods from 35 per 1,000 to 23 per 1,000, and also a decline in nondurable goods from 34 per 1,000 to 25 per 1,000. Year-to-year, separations showed a decrease from 37 per 1,000 to 24 per 1,000, including a decrease in durable goods from 36 per 1,000 to 23 per 1,000, and also a decline in nondurable goods from 39 per 1,000 to 25 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

December 1980

	Dec 1980	Nov 1980	Dec 1979
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	11,010	6,256	7,862
Weeks claimed	59,010	36,860	30,487
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$ 4,475,466	$ 2,743,671	$ 2,282,108
Calendar year to date	$45,867,532	$41,392,066	$24,734,722
Average size of weekly payments	$ 91.28	$ 90.35	$ 90.83
First payments	4,803	2,627	2,908
Exhaustions	1,335	1,032	678
Individuals who drew benefits	15,831	11,301	8,983
Rate of insured unemployment	2.0	1.5	1.3
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$ 98,231	$ 83,179	$ 57,787
Average size of weekly payments	$ 70.06	$ 73.92	$ 80.71
First payments	54	50	39
Exhaustions	30	30	20
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$ 45,076	$ 28,323	$ 22,979
Average size of weekly payments	$ 92.18	$ 89.35	$ 91.19
First payments	35	30	32
Exhaustions	4	6	2
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	36,684	36,642	37,429
Contributions received	$ 90,705	$ 2,590,591	$ 74,013
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$77,215,833	$81,858,341	$79,884,659

Extended benefits totalled 9,095 weeks for 0.8 million dollars.

UI initial claims received in area claims centers increased from 6,256 in November to 11,010 in December 1980. Weeks claimed increased from 36,860 in November to 59,010 in December 1980.

UI benefit payments increased from 2.7 million in November to 4.5 million in December 1980.

The number of insured unemployed increased from 9,174 in November to 11,657 in December 1980.

The rate of insured unemployment increased from 1.5% in November to 2.0% in December 1980.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 36.9 million compared to 33.4 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 77.2 million compared to 79.9 million one year ago.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

December 1980

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	8,474	65.3
Female	4,495	34.7
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	11,673	90.0
All other races	1,296	10.0
AGE:		
Under 22	1,764	13.6
22 - 44	8,024	61.9
45 and over	3,181	24.5
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	6,763	52.1
5 - 14	4,892	37.7
15 and over	1,314	10.2

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	1,984	15.3
Clerical and sales	1,989	15.3
Service	1,115	8.6
Farm and related	262	2.0
Processing	477	3.7
Machine trades	875	6.7
Bench work	908	7.0
Structural work	3,318	25.7
Miscellaneous	2,041	15.7
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and mining	2,840	21.9
Manufacturing	3,618	27.9
Durable goods	2,135	16.5
Nondurable goods	1,483	11.4
Transportation, communications and utilities	468	3.6
Trade (wholesale & retail)	2,387	18.4
Finance, insurance and real estate	294	2.3
Services	1,735	13.4
Government	399	3.0
Other	1,228	9.5

1/ Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month.

The insured claimant count for December 1980 was 12,969.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, DECEMBER 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	258.4	0.9	12.4	258.7	0.9	12.5
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	259.3	0.7	10.1	260.5	0.7	10.5
Food	266.4	0.7	10.2	267.6	0.7	10.7
Food at home	263.9	0.7	10.6	263.9	0.7	10.7
Cereals & bakery products	258.5	1.1	11.6	259.5	1.1	11.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	255.7	0.3	8.6	255.0	0.3	8.5
Dairy products	238.0	1.1	9.7	238.8	1.2	9.8
Fruits and vegetables	255.6	0.9	11.0	253.9	1.0	11.2
Other foods at home	317.1	0.7	12.8	317.8	0.7	13.5
Food away from home	277.7	0.9	9.6	281.8	0.8	10.5
Alcoholic beverages	191.6	0.4	7.6	193.7	0.5	8.4
HOUSING	276.9	1.1	13.7	277.1	1.2	13.8
Shelter	298.5	1.3	15.1	300.4	1.3	15.4
Rent (residential)	199.6	0.7	9.1	199.4	0.7	9.1
Other rental costs	267.7	-0.2	9.3	267.3	-0.4	9.4
Homeownership	334.2	1.5	16.5	337.5	1.6	16.9
Fuel and other utilities	289.9	1.5	13.[illegible]	290.7	1.5	13.7
Fuels	364.7	1.7	17.0	364.5	1.8	16.9
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	585.3	3.2	19.9	587.0	3.3	20.0
Gas (piped) & electricity	313.9	1.1	15.9	313.4	1.2	15.8
Household furnishings & operation	211.6	0.3	8.1	209.0	0.4	7.8
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	183.9	-0.5	6.8	182.9	-0.2	6.7
Men's & boys' apparel	174.3	-0.3	5.4	174.4	-0.2	5.7
Women's & girls' apparel	157.4	-1.6	1.8	158.2	-1.1	3.1
Footwear	196.6	0.1	6.7	196.7	0.2	7.0
TRANSPORTATION	261.1	0.8	14.7	261.9	0.8	14.7
Private transportation	259.4	0.8	14.0	260.8	0.9	14.3
Public transportation	280.1	1.1	25.6	271.8	1.0	24.1
MEDICAL CARE	275.8	0.5	10.0	277.6	0.5	10.3
Medical care services	297.9	0.4	10.0	300.0	0.4	10.4
ENTERTAINMENT	212.0	0.4	9.6	210.1	0.1	9.3
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	224.6	0.8	10.1	223.0	0.9	9.9
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	300.5			300.9		

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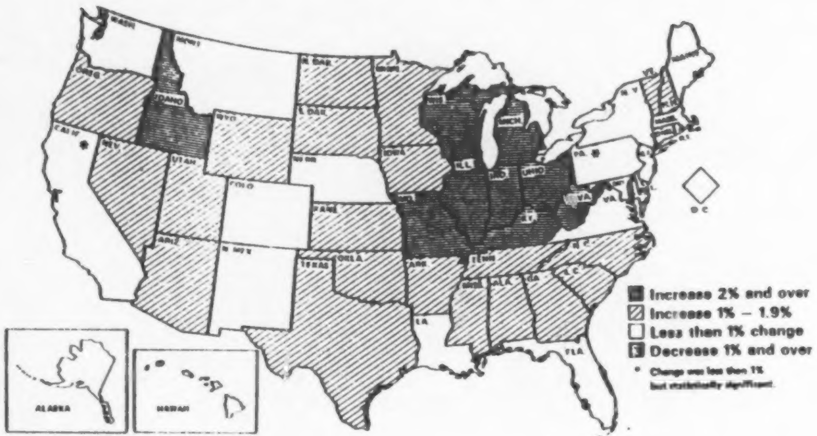
NEBRASKA Work Trends

January 1981

1. Changes in Unemployment Rate 1980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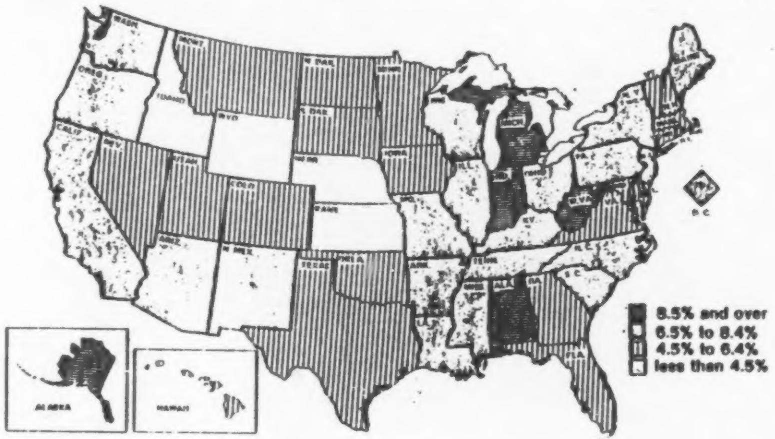
2. Unemployment Rates by State, 1980 Annual Average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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

January 1981

	Preliminary Jan 1981	Revised Dec 1980	Revised Jan 1980	Change From: Dec 1980	Change From: Jan 1980
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	754,300	765,700	752,400	-11,400	1,900
Employment	715,800	729,050	719,450	-13,250	-3,650
Unemployment	38,500	36,650	32,950	1,850	5,550
Unemployment rate 2/	5.1	4.8	4.4	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	277,350	280,750	280,350	- 3,400	-3,000
Employment	261,100	265,200	265,600	- 4,100	-4,500
Unemployment	16,250	15,550	14,750	700	1,500
Unemployment rate 2/	5.9	5.5	5.3	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	110,550	111,050	108,350	- 500	2,150
Employment	105,750	106,500	104,350	- 750	1,350
Unemployment	4,800	4,550	4,000	250	800
Unemployment rate 2/	4.3	4.1	3.7	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 236,750 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,600, is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment increased by 1,850 from December 1980 to January 1981, reaching a new total of 38,500. The January 1981 total was 5,550 more than in January 1980. The unemployment rate moved upward from 4.8 percent in December 1980 to 5.1 percent in January 1981, and compared to 4.4 percent in January 1980.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA increased by 700 from December 1980 to January 1981, and also increased by 1,500 from January 1980 to January 1981. The unemployment rate increased from 5.5 percent in December 1980 to 5.9 percent in January 1981, and compared to 5.3 percent in January 1980.

The number of unemployed in the Lincoln SMSA increased by 250 from December 1980 to January 1981, and also increased by 800 from January 1980 to January 1981. The unemployment rate increased from 4.1 percent in December 1980 to 4.3 percent in January 1981, and compared to 3.7 percent in January 1980.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 2,100 from January 1981 to February 1981, reaching a new total of 756,400. The unemployment segment is projected at 38,500, while the employment segment is projected at 717,900.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1980 3/	Jan 1980 3/	Change From:		Percent Change From
				Dec 1980	Jan 1980	Jan 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	619,537	633,952	623,160	-14,415	-3,623	- 0.6
MANUFACTURING	95,655	96,023	100,065	- 368	-4,410	- 4.4
Durable goods	48,267	48,362	52,255	- 95	-3,988	- 7.6
Construction material	4,725	4,812	4,739	- 87	- 14	- 0.3
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,299	2,327	2,119	- 28	180	8.5
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,426	2,485	2,620	- 59	- 194	- 7.4
Furniture & fixtures	1,653	1,670	1,795	- 17	- 142	- 7.9
Metals	8,981	8,871	9,609	110	- 628	- 6.5
Primary metal industries	1,885	1,853	1,941	32	- 56	- 2.9
Fabricated metal prod., except mach. & trans. equip.	7,096	7,018	7,668	78	- 572	- 7.5
Machinery except electrical	12,937	12,671	13,618	266	- 681	- 5.0
Farm machinery & equipment	7,406	7,399	8,117	7	- 711	- 8.8
Electrical & electronic machinery, equip. & supplies	9,506	9,726	10,999	- 220	-1,493	-13.6
Transportation equipment	4,915	4,995	5,900	- 80	- 985	-16.7
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,390	2,382	3,128	8	- 738	-23.6
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,550	5,617	5,595	- 67	- 45	- 0.8
Nondurable goods	47,388	47,661	47,810	- 273	- 422	- 0.9
Food & kindred products	27,678	27,979	28,141	- 301	- 463	- 1.6
Meat products	13,780	13,836	14,027	- 56	- 247	- 1.8
Dairy products	1,839	1,877	1,852	- 38	- 13	- 0.7
Grain mill	4,585	4,633	4,644	- 48	- 59	- 1.3
Other food prod. (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	7,474	7,633	7,618	- 159	- 144	- 1.9
Textile products & apparel	2,476	2,442	2,351	34	125	5.3
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,709	7,808	7,651	- 99	58	0.8
Chemicals & allied products	2,567	2,616	2,522	- 49	45	1.8
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,958	6,816	7,145	142	- 187	- 2.6
NONMANUFACTURING	523,882	537,929	523,095	-14,047	787	0.2
MINING	1,437	1,571	1,558	- 134	- 121	- 7.8
CONSTRUCTION	25,674	28,411	26,466	- 2,737	- 792	- 3.0
Building const. - general contractors & operative builders	7,498	8,348	7,975	- 850	- 477	- 6.0
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	4,414	5,547	4,358	- 1,133	56	1.3
Construction - special trade contractors	13,762	14,516	14,133	- 754	- 371	- 2.6
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	46,805	47,550	46,859	- 745	- 54	- 0.1
Railroad transportation	15,745	16,099	15,847	- 354	- 102	- 0.6
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,432	14,675	14,358	- 243	74	0.5
Communication & electric, gas & sanitary services	16,628	16,776	16,654	- 148	- 26	- 0.2

TRADE	160,553	165,606	162,820	- 5,053	-2,267	- 1.4
Wholesale	48,683	48,496	48,602	187	81	0.4
Durable goods	24,541	24,547	24,949	- 6	- 408	- 1.6
Nondurable goods	24,142	23,949	23,653	193	489	2.1
Retail	111,870	117,110	114,218	- 5,240	-2,348	- 2.1
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	6,574	6,971	5,810	- 397	764	13.1
General merchandise stores	14,754	16,435	16,477	- 1,681	-1,723	-10.5
Food stores	15,722	15,901	16,222	- 179	- 500	- 3.1
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	15,552	15,793	15,855	- 241	- 303	- 1.9
Apparel & accessory stores	6,470	6,916	6,786	- 446	- 316	- 4.7
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,182	4,132	4,164	50	18	0.4
Eating & drinking places	36,426	37,944	36,599	- 1,518	- 173	- 0.5
Miscellaneous retail	12,190	13,018	12,305	- 828	- 115	- 0.9
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,726	3,897	3,664	- 171	62	1.7
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewlry; florists; etc.)	8,464	9,121	8,641	- 657	- 177	- 2.0
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	42,812	42,670	44,395	142	1,417	3.4
Banking	10,809	10,751	10,515	58	294	2.8
Insurance	20,696	20,689	20,156	7	540	2.7
Real estate	4,417	4,427	4,368	- 10	49	1.1
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,890	6,803	6,356	87	534	8.4
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	116,909	118,734	114,056	- 1,825	2,853	2.5
Hotels, rooming houses, camps & other lodging places	6,604	6,780	6,466	- 176	138	2.1
Personal services	6,346	6,307	6,255	39	91	1.5
Business services	16,787	16,959	16,443	- 172	344	2.1
Automotive repair, services, & garages	3,844	3,783	3,850	61	- 6	- 0.2
Amusement & recreation	5,379	5,859	4,948	- 480	431	8.7
Health services	43,143	42,960	40,928	183	2,215	20.3
Educational services	8,083	9,021	8,901	- 938	- 818	9.2
Social services	6,115	6,180	6,348	- 65	- 233	- 3.7
Membership services	8,661	8,929	8,840	- 268	- 179	- 2.0
Other services (including legal & professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	11,947	11,956	11,077	- 9	870	7.9
GOVERNMENT	129,692	133,387	129,941	- 3,695	- 249	- 0.2
Federal	15,854	16,004	16,101	- 150	- 247	- 1.5
State	30,836	33,638	30,832	- 2,802	4	4/
Local	83,002	83,745	83,008	- 743	- 6	- 4/

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

2/ Preliminary estimate.

3/ Revised.

4/ Less than one half of one percent.

JANUARY 1981 IN REVIEW . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 14,415 from December 1980 to January 1981. This included a small dip of 368 in manufacturing, along with a decrease of 14,047 in nonmanufacturing.

The slight decrease of 368 in manufacturing consisted of a drop of 95 in durable goods and a dip of 273 in nondurable goods.

Month-to-month increases occurred only in finance-insurance-real estate, with a rise of 142. Month-to-month decreases occurred in all other major industry groups, including trade (-5,053), government (-3,695), construction/mining (-2,781), services (-1,825), and transportation-communication-utilities (-745). The decrease of 5,053 in trade included a small gain of 187 in wholesale trade that was far more than counterbalanced by a drop of 5,240 in retail trade. About three-fifths of the decrease in retail trade occurred in two fields: general merchandist stores (-1,681), and eating and drinking places (-1,518). Three-fourths of the decrease in government occurred in state government, with the majority of that representing customary seasonal reductions in temporary employees in educational services. Approximately one-half of the decline in services occurred in educational services, also a typically seasonal occurrence.

ANNUAL CHANGES. . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 3,623 from January 1980 to January 1981. This included a reduction of 4,410 in manufacturing that was not offset by a moderate gain of 787 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease of 4,410 in manufacturing included a drop of 3,988 in durable goods and a decrease of 422 in nondurable goods. Over three-fifths of the decrease in durable goods occurred in two categories: electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,493), and in transportation equipment (-985). The primary loss in nondurable goods occurred in food products (-463).

Year-to-year increases occurred in finance-insurance-real estate (1,417) and in services (2,853). The major gains in finance-insurance-real estate were in the insurance and the savings and loan fields. Health services continued to be the major upward thrust in employment expansion for the service industry as a whole.

Year-to-year decreases occurred in trade (-2,267), construction/mining (-913), transportation-communication-utilities (-371), and government (-249). The decrease of 2,267 in trade included a very small increase of 81 in wholesale trade mixed with a substantial decline of 2,348 in retail trade. The major loss in retail trade was in general merchandise stores (-1,723).

OUTLOOK . . . .

Employment activities in March 1981 are projected to show small, seasonal increases in construction/mining, trade, service and government. Agriculture is expected to have substantial employment gains, following customary seasonal trends. It is anticipated that manufacturing employment will drop slightly. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged for transportation-communication-utilities and finance-insurance-real estate.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND

APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

January 1981

				Nonag Job Openings					
		Applicants Available FY to date 2/	Active File	Received FY to date 2/	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more	Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-Of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
TOTAL 3/		68,449	32,206	17,834	4,646	3,492	3.84	6.93	75.2
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	7,473	3,628	1,283	1,607	1,415	5.82	2.26	88.1
2	Clerical and sales	17,304	7,522	3,972	1,961	1,409	4.36	3.84	71.9
	Entry codes 4/	3,200	1,264	---	---	---	----	----	----
20-24	Clerical	10,738	4,712	3,074	1,765	1,301	3.49	2.67	73.7
25-29	Sales	3,366	1,546	898	196	108	3.75	7.89	55.1
3	Service	11,320	5,479	3,536	390	218	3.20	14.05	55.9
	Entry codes 4/	1,641	688	---	---	---	----	----	----
30	Domestic	648	320	458	23	12	1.41	13.91	52.2
31-39	Other	9,031	4,471	3,078	367	206	2.93	12.18	56.1
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	2,132	631	581	17	12	3.67	37.12	70.6
5	Processing	1,742	824	838	38	6	2.08	21.68	15.8
6	Machine trades	3,572	1,811	582	97	47	6.14	18.67	48.5
7	Bench work	3,489	1,732	548	71	19	6.37	24.39	26.8
8	Structural work	8,290	4,111	2,128	110	68	3.90	37.37	61.8
9	Miscellaneous	10,013	5,012	4,362	123	67	2.30	40.75	54.5
	Entry codes 4/	1,755	783	---	---	---	----	----	----
90-91	Motor freight, transportation	3,664	1,914	1,608	67	34	2.28	28.57	50.7
92	Packaging, materials handling	4,250	2,150	1,617	36	23	2.63	59.72	63.9
93-97	Other 5/	344	165	137	20	10	2.51	8.25	50.0

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: 10-1-80 through 1-31-81. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

By Occupation

January 1981

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,137	3,355	$ 9,189/yr	$ 9,107/yr	1,702	1,557	711	762
Professional, technical, and managerial	623	691	11,643/yr	11,248/yr	480	528	307	332
Clerical and sales	1,110	975	8,239/yr	8,116/yr	706	520	228	229
Service	473	612	3.72/hr	3.41/hr	201	209	85	79
Farming, fishery, forestry, and related	37	40	3.91/hr	3.90/hr	10	10	3	1
Processing	183	159	4.85/hr	4.81/hr	35	16	3	3
Machine trades	154	159	5.14/hr	4.93/hr	77	80	27	38
Bench work	135	161	3.91/hr	3.85/hr	67	32	9	24
Structural work	232	284	4.89/hr	4.71/hr	68	97	32	38
Miscellaneous	190	274	4.21/hr	5.26/hr	58	65	17	18

1/ Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

January 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1980 3/	Jan 1980 3/	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1980 3/	Jan 1980 3/	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1980 3/	Jan 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$319.06	$311.89	$289.95	40.8	40.4	41.6	$7.82	$7.72	$6.97
Durable goods	316.06	306.68	283.40	41.1	40.3	41.8	7.69	7.61	6.78
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	254.56	261.06	229.63	39.9	40.6	38.4	6.38	6.43	5.98
Primary and fabricated metals	314.74	315.19	288.05	40.3	40.1	40.4	7.81	7.86	7.13
Machinery and transportation equipment	348.99	334.96	307.27	42.2	40.7	43.4	8.27	8.23	7.08
Nondurable goods	322.77	316.33	297.25	40.6	40.4	41.4	7.95	7.83	7.18
Food and kindred products	363.79	352.80	320.88	42.4	42.0	42.0	8.58	8.40	7.64
Meat products	398.98	381.63	349.85	42.4	41.8	42.1	9.41	9.13	8.31
Dairy products	218.27	223.34	197.81	36.5	37.6	35.9	5.98	5.94	5.51
Grain mill products	465.01	455.93	395.84	49.0	48.4	46.9	9.49	9.42	8.44
Bakery products	254.73	251.66	231.54	34.1	33.6	34.0	7.47	7.49	6.81
Other food and kindred products	239.99	240.60	227.40	40.2	39.9	40.9	5.97	6.03	5.56
Printing and publishing	240.10	259.98	264.80	35.0	37.3	39.7	6.86	6.97	6.67
Chemicals and allied products	327.65	307.30	300.83	44.7	43.9	44.9	7.33	7.00	6.70

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $7.17 from December 1980 to January 1981. This included a gain of $9.38 in durable goods and a rise of $6.44 in nondurable goods. On a year-to-year basis, average weekly earnings increased by $29.11, with durable goods increasing by $32.66 and nondurable goods increasing by $25.52.

Average weekly hours increased by 0.4 hours month-to-month, but dropped by 0.8 hours year-to-year. Average hourly earnings increased by $.10 from December 1980 to January 1981, and also gained by $.85 from January 1980 to January 1981.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

(Per 1,000 workers)

December 1980

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Dec 1930 2/	Nov 1980 3/	Dec 1979 3/	Dec 1980 2/	Nov 1980 3/	Dec 1979 3/	Dec 1980 2/	Nov 1980 3/	Dec 1979 3/	Dec 1980 2/	Nov 1980 3/	Dec 1979 3/	Dec 1980 2/	Nov 1980 3/	Dec 1979 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	20	25	21	16	19	18	23	24	28	10	11	17	7	8	6
Durable goods	19	22	18	14	14	15	22	23	25	9	10	13	8	8	6
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	23	26	31	22	23	13	43	39	69	16	13	25	25	18	40
Furniture and fixtures	22	14	11	20	12	11	10	22	17	7	15	14	4/	4/	1
Primary and fabricated metals	22	28	11	10	12	9	25	25	22	8	7	11	12	16	5
Machinery and transprotation equipment	14	16	16	11	10	14	16	17	17	5	7	10	6	5	2
Other durable goods	33	39	37	27	32	35	32	40	32	20	24	22	3	10	3
Nondurable goods	20	28	25	18	25	22	24	25	31	12	13	22	6	7	5
Food and kindred products	23	29	24	19	25	22	28	26	34	14	14	25	7	7	4
Meat products	25	34	25	23	29	24	25	23	39	15	17	32	4	1	2
Dairy products	22	18	33	20	18	25	30	6	25	5	3	19	15	4/	4/
Grain mill products	14	19	19	12	16	18	19	40	14	7	6	9	3	31	3
Bakery products	24	24	32	13	23	29	33	15	32	17	11	29	4/	1	4/
Other food and kindred products	23	35	20	18	26	18	41	32	42	18	20	19	20	8	17
Textiles and apparel	24	49	32	20	40	29	33	32	46	25	22	24	2	5	21
Paper and allied products	22	21	17	20	21	15	10	12	10	7	8	10	4/	4/	4/
Printing and publishing	19	27	32	18	25	28	13	24	28	8	15	23	1	4	4/
Chemicals and allied products	10	11	16	10	10	16	7	24	13	6	5	9	4/	15	1
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	14	26	22	11	23	16	31	24	31	12	8	13	14	10	13

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.
NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Revised.

4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing decreased from 25 per 1,000 in November 1980 to December 1980. Durable goods dropped from 22 per 1,000 to 19 per 1,000 month-to-month, and nondurable goods also decreased from 28 per 1,000 to 20 per 1,000 during the same period. Year-to-year accessions had a slight dip from 21 per 1,000 to 20 per 1,000, with durable goods showing a small gain from 18 per 1,000 to 19 per 1,000, and nondurable goods decreasing from 25 per 1,000 to 20 per 1,000. Separation rates dipped from 24 per 1,000 in November 1980 to 23 per 1,000 in December 1980, also showed a decline from 28 per 1,000 in December 1979 to 23 per 1,000 in December 1980. Layoffs dipped month-to-month, from 8 per 1,000 to 7 per 1,000, but increased year-to-year from 6 per 1,000 to 7 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

January 1981

	Jan 1981	Dec 1980	Jan 1980
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	9,476	11,010	10,242
Weeks claimed	63,971	59,010	58,975
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$ 5,160,977	$ 4,475,466	$ 4,738,133
Calendar year to date	$ 5,160,977	$45,867,532	$ 4,738,133
Average size of weekly payments	$ 92.77	$ 91.28	$ 92.94
First payments	6,225	4,803	6,624
Exhaustions	1,324	1,335	939
Individuals who drew benefits	19,458	15,831	16,080
Rate of insured unemployment	2.4	2.0	2.1
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$ 83,818	$ 98,231	$ 76,426
Average size of weekly payments	$ 73.65	$ 70.06	$ 79.44
First payments	53	54	46
Exhaustions	36	30	27
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMENT (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$ 42,705	$ 45,076	$ 42,221
Average size of weekly payments	$ 92.43	$ 92.18	$ 86.87
First payments	25	35	41
Exhaustions	8	4	2
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	37,346	37,219	38,242
Contributions received	$ 1,855,431	$ 90,705	$ 2,471,023
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$73,855,721	$77,215,833	$79,210,226

Extended benefits totalled 7,721 weeks compensated for 0.7 million dollars.

UI initial claims in area claims centers decreased from 11,010 in December 1980 to 9,476 in January 1981. Weeks claimed increased from 49,030 in December 1980 to 55,630 in January 1981.

UI benefit payments increased from 4.5 million in December 1980 to 5.2 million in January 1981.

The number of insured unemployed increased from 11,657 in December 1980 to 14,456 in January 1981.

The rate of insured unemployed increased from 2.0% in December 1980 to 2.4% in January 1981.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 1.9 million compared to 2.5 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 73.9 million compared to 79.2 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED [1]

January 1981

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	11,554	69.3
Female	5,114	30.7
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	15,152	90.0
All other races	1,516	9.1
AGE:		
Under 22	2,339	14.0
22 - 44	10,249	61.5
45 and over	4,080	24.5
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	8,081	48.5
5 - 14	7,098	42.6
15 and over	1,489	8.9

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	2,800	16.8
Clerical and sales	2,168	13.0
Service	1,228	7.4
Farm and Related	321	1.9
Processing	590	3.5
Machine Trades	968	5.8
Bench Work	999	6.0
Structural Work	5,013	30.1
Miscellaneous	2,581	15.5
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and mining	4,487	26.9
Manufacturing	4,375	26.3
Durable Goods	2,612	15.7
Nondurable Goods	1,763	10.6
Transportation, communication and utilities	691	4.1
Trade	2,884	17.3
Finance, insurance and real estate	313	1.9
Services	1,934	11.6
Government	388	2.3
Other	1,596	9.6

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[1] Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for January 1981 was 16,668.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, JANUARY 1981

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	260.5	0.8	11.7	260.7	0.8	11.7
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	261.4	0.8	10.1	262.1	0.6	10.2
Food	268.6	0.8	10.2	269.2	0.6	10.3
Food at home	265.6	0.6	10.4	265.1	0.5	10.4
Cereals & bakery products	262.3	1.7	12.3	263.0	1.3	12.1
Meats, poultry, fish, & eggs	255.1	-0.2	7.2	254.1	-0.4	7.0
Dairy products	240.1	0.9	9.9	240.7	0.8	10.0
Fruits and vegetables	257.6	0.8	12.1	255.1	0.5	12.3
Other foods at home	320.5	1.1	13.1	320.8	0.9	13.5
Food away from home	280.9	1.2	9.7	284.2	0.9	10.2
Alcoholic beverages	193.7	1.1	8.0	195.5	0.9	8.8
HOUSING	279.1	0.8	12.9	279.1	0.7	12.9
Shelter	300.1	0.5	13.7	301.7	0.4	13.8
Rent (residential)	200.9	0.7	9.1	200.6	0.6	9.1
Other rental costs	273.3	2.3	9.1	273.6	2.4	9.0
Homeownership	335.8	0.5	14.9	338.6	0.3	14.9
Fuel and other utilities	296.7	2.3	14.7	297.5	2.3	14.8
Fuels	375.4	2.9	18.1	375.0	2.9	17.9
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	625.9	6.9	21.8	627.9	7.0	21.9
Gas (piped) & electricity	318.5	1.5	16.7	317.7	1.4	16.4
Household furnishings & operation	212.6	0.5	8.0	209.7	0.3	7.6
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	181.1	-1.5	5.9	180.8	-1.1	6.5
Men's & boys' apparel	171.1	-1.8	5.1	171.7	-1.5	5.7
Women's & girls' apparel	152.1	-3.4	0.4	153.9	-2.7	2.7
Footwear	194.3	-0.9	6.1	195.5	-0.6	6.7
TRANSPORTATION	264.7	1.4	13.4	265.7	1.5	13.5
Private transportation	262.9	1.3	12.6	264.4	1.4	12.9
Public transportation	286.4	2.2	26.3	279.0	2.6	25.7
MEDICAL CARE	279.5	1.3	10.1	281.4	1.4	10.4
Medical care services	302.1	1.4	10.1	304.3	1.4	10.4
ENTERTAINMENT	214.4	1.1	9.8	212.2	1.0	9.4
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	226.2	0.7	9.6	224.4	0.6	8.9
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	303.0			303.2		

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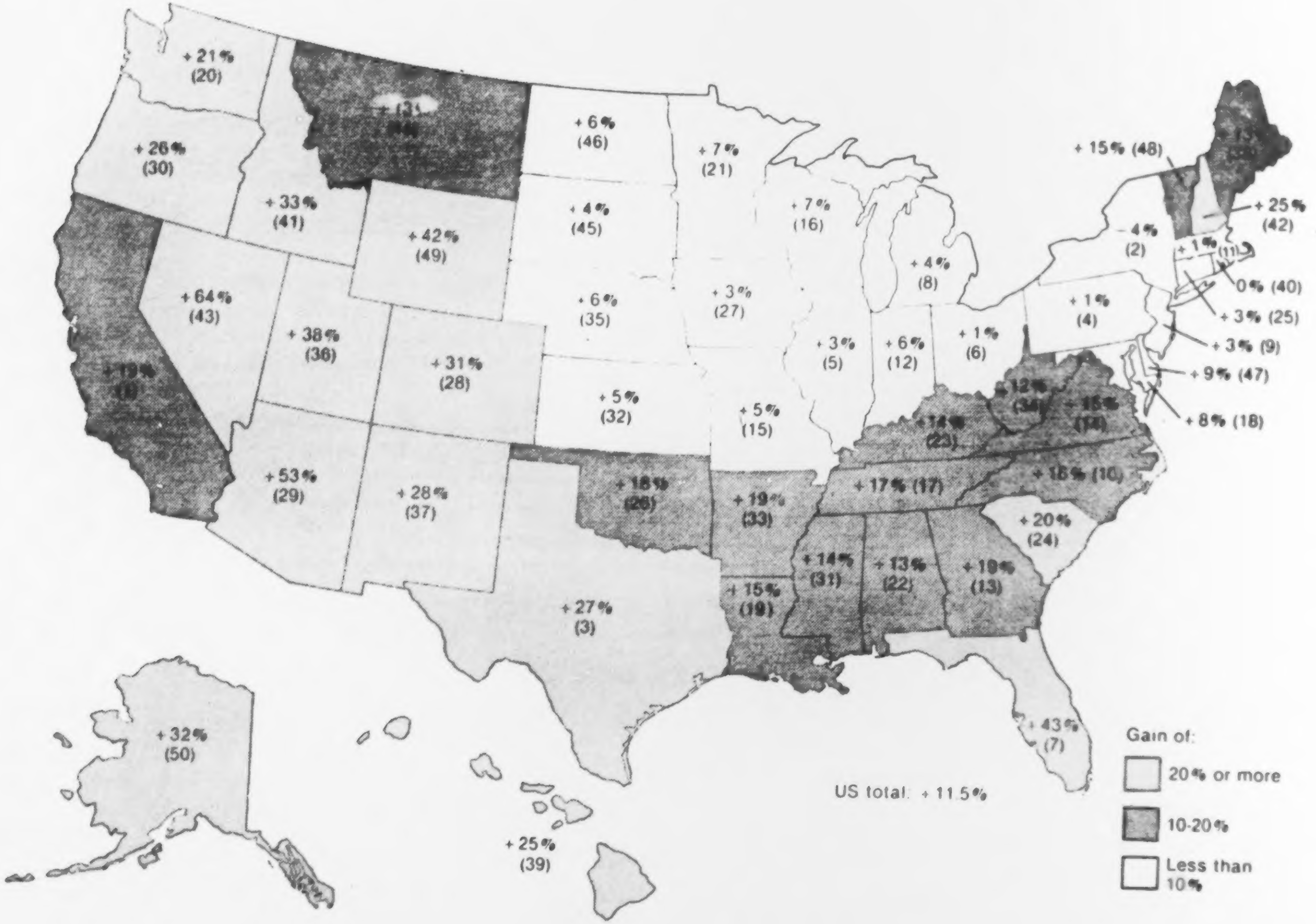
NEBRASKA Work Trends

February 1981

POPULATION GROWTH AND RANK BY STATE [1/]
(Percent Change, 1970-80; Rank()in 1980)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+32% (50)
+25% (39)
US total: +11.5%
Gain of:
20% or more
10-20%
Less than 10%

1/ Preliminary 1980 census data, Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce, as presented in Business America, 2-23-81.

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA 1/

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

February 1981

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Feb 1981	Jan 1981	Feb 1980	Jan 1981	Feb 1980
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	762,500	755,100	758,400	7,400	4,100
Employment	722,750	715,500	727,200	7,250	-4,450
Unemployment	39,750	39,600	31,200	150	8,550
Unemployment rate 2/	5.2	5.2	4.1	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	279,350	277,300	280,700	2,050	-1,350
Employment	263,550	261,100	266,850	2,450	-3,300
Unemployment	15,800	16,200	13,850	-400	1,950
Unemployment rate 2/	5.7	5.8	4.9	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	111,000	110,600	110,050	400	950
Employment	106,100	105,800	106,350	300	- 250
Unemployment	4,900	4,800	3,700	100	1,200
Unemployment rate 2/	4.4	4.3	3.3	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 238,500 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,850 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment increased by 150 from January 1981 to February 1981, reaching a new total of 39,750. The February 1981 total was 8,550 more than in February 1980. The unemployment rate in February 1981 remained the same that it had been in January 1981 (5.2 percent), and compared to 4.1 percent in February 1980.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA dropped by 400 from January 1981 to February 1981, but increased by 1,950 from February 1980. The unemployment rate edged downward, month-to-month, from 5.8 percent to 5.7 percent, but rose from the 4.9 percent of February 1980.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA had a very small gain of 100 from January 1981 to February 1981, and increased by 1,200 from February 1980. The unemployment rate increased from 4.3 percent in January 1981 to 4.4 percent in February 1981, and compared to 3.3 percent in February 1980.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 11,350 from February 1981 to March 1981, reaching a new total of 773,850. The unemployment segment is projected as 38,750, while the employment segment is projected as 735,100.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Feb 2/ 1981	Jan 3/ 1981	Feb 3/ 1980	Change From		Percent Change From
				Jan 1981	Feb 1980	Feb 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	619,898	619,242	623,788	656	-3,890	- 0.6
MANUFACTURING	95,308	95,596	99,763	-288	-4,455	- 4.5
Durable goods	48,517	48,221	52,169	296	-3,652	- 7.0
Construction material	4,586	4,674	4,672	- 88	- 86	- 1.8
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,229	2,242	2,053	- 13	176	8.6
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,357	2,432	2,619	- 75	- 262	-10.0
Furniture & fixtures	1,684	1,657	1,813	27	- 129	- 7.1
Metals	9,083	8,908	9,590	175	- 507	- 5.3
Primary metal industries	1,859	1,879	1,946	- 20	- 87	- 4.5
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equipment	7,224	7,029	7,644	195	- 420	- 5.5
Machinery except electrical	13,145	12,942	13,606	203	- 461	- 3.4
Farm machinery & equipment	7,538	7,409	8,051	129	- 513	- 6.4
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,581	9,577	11,002	4	-1,421	-12.9
Transportation equipment	4,928	4,900	5,910	28	- 982	-16.6
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,316	2,325	3,156	- 9	- 840	-26.6
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,510	5,563	5,576	- 53	- 66	- 1.2
Nondurable goods	46,791	47,375	47,594	-584	- 803	- 1.7
Food & kindred products	27,263	27,635	27,937	-372	- 674	- 2.4
Meat products	13,659	13,826	14,052	-167	- 393	- 2.8
Dairy products	1,863	1,843	1,825	20	38	2.1
Grain mill	4,319	4,485	4,610	-166	- 291	- 6.3
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	7,422	7,481	7,450	- 59	- 28	- 0.4
Textile products & apparel	2,463	2,474	2,363	- 11	100	4.2
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,560	7,751	7,727	-191	- 167	- 2.2
Chemicals & allied products	2,590	2,616	2,530	- 26	60	2.4
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,915	6,899	7,037	16	- 122	- 1.7
NONMANUFACTURING	524,590	523,646	524,025	944	565	0.1
MINING	1,479	1,461	1,566	18	- 87	- 5.6
CONSTRUCTION	25,063	26,439	25,134	-1,376	- 71	- 0.3
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	7,401	7,583	7,385	-182	16	0.2
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	4,259	4,619	4,217	-360	42	1.0
Construction - special trade contractors	13,403	14,237	13,532	-834	- 129	- 1.0
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	46,380	46,289	46,953	91	- 573	- 1.2
Railroad transportation	15,742	15,805	16,024	- 63	- 282	- 1.8
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,108	13,998	14,281	110	- 173	- 1.2
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,530	16,486	16,648	44	- 118	- 0.7

TRADE	159,787	160,689	161,745	-902	-1,958	- 1.2
Wholesale	48,266	48,338	48,694	- 72	- 428	- 0.9
Durable	24,499	24,464	25,099	35	- 600	- 2.4
Nondurable	23,767	23,874	23,595	-107	172	0.7
Retail	111,521	112,351	113,051	-830	-1,530	- 1.4
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	6,389	6,486	5,729	- 97	660	11.5
General merchandise stores	14,333	14,937	15,680	-604	-1,347	- 8.6
Food stores	15,593	15,755	16,070	-162	- 477	- 3.0
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	15,312	15,490	15,846	-178	- 534	- 3.4
Apparel & accessory stores	6,706	6,633	6,649	73	57	0.9
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,046	4,181	4,136	-135	- 90	- 2.2
Eating & drinking places	36,827	36,426	36,773	401	54	0.1
Miscellaneous retail	12,315	12,443	12,168	-128	147	1.2
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,635	3,719	3,589	- 84	46	1.3
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,680	8,724	8,579	- 44	101	1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	42,661	42,742	41,448	- 81	1,213	2.9
Banking	10,802	10,798	10,519	4	283	2.7
Insurance	20,646	20,647	20,267	- 1	379	1.9
Real Estate	4,342	4,436	4,291	- 94	51	1.2
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,871	6,861	6,371	10	500	7.8
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	117,179	116,306	114,806	873	2,373	2.1
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	6,545	6,474	6,500	71	45	0.7
Personal services	6,354	6,340	6,377	14	- 23	- 0.4
Business services	16,396	16,541	16,242	-145	154	0.9
Automotive repair, services, & garages	3,813	3,809	3,841	4	- 28	- 0.7
Amusement & recreation (including motion pictures)	5,658	5,370	4,993	288	665	13.3
Health services	43,062	43,071	40,955	- 9	2,107	5.1
Educational services	8,583	8,132	9,509	451	- 926	- 9.7
Social services	6,193	6,143	6,338	50	- 145	- 2.3
Membership organizations	8,515	8,481	8,908	34	- 393	- 4.4
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,060	11,945	11,143	115	917	8.2
GOVERNMENT	132,041	129,720	132,373	2,321	- 332	- 0.4
Federal	15,796	15,816	16,068	- 20	- 272	- 1.7
State	32,723	30,836	32,808	1,887	- 85	- 0.3
Local	83,522	83,068	83,497	454	25	- 0.2

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

2/ Preliminary estimates.

3/ Revised.

FEBRUARY 1981 IN REVIEW . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 656 from January 1981 to February 1981. This included a small drop of 288 in manufacturing that was more than offset by a gain of 944 in nonmanufacturing.

The dip of 288 in manufacturing included a rise of 296 in durable goods along with a reduction of 584 in nondurable goods. The chief source of decline in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (-372).

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (2,321), services (873), and in transportation-communication-utilities (91). The chief increases in both government and services were in educational services, following customary seasonal trends.

Month-to-month decreases occurred in construction/mining (-1,358), trade (-902), and finance-insurance-real estate (-81). The drop of 902 in trade included a slight dip of 72 in wholesale trade and a larger decrease of 830 in retail trade. The major decline in retail trade occurred in general merchandise stores (-604).

ANNUAL CHANGES. . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries was 3,890 less in February 1981 than it had been in February 1980. This included a drop of 4,455 in manufacturing along with a rist of 565 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease of 4,455 in manufacturing included a drop of 3,652 in durable goods along with a reduction in nondurable goods of 803. Two categories accounted for about two-thirds of the loss in durable goods: electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,421), and transportation equipment (-982). The major decrease in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (-674).

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (2,373), and finance-insurance-real estate (1,213). Most of the gain in services occurred in health services (2,107).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in trade (-1,958), transportation-communication-utilities (-573), government (-332), and construction/mining (-158). The drop of 1,958 in trade included a dip of 428 in wholesale trade and a decrease of 1,530 in retail trade. The largest loss in retail trade occurred in general merchandise stores (-1,347).

OUTLOOK . . . .

Employment activity in April 1981 is projected to show seasonal increases in construction/mining, transportation-communication-utilities, trade, finance-insurance-real estate, service and agriculture. Moderate increases are anticipated for construction/ming, trade and service. Small gains are anticipated in transportation-communication-utilities and finance-insurance-real estate. Agriculture is expected to show a substantial rise in employment levels. Manufacturing is expected to have a slight decrease. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in government.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

February 1981

		Applicants Available FY to date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings			Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
				Received FY to date 2/	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more			
TOTAL 3/		72,162	33,152	21,391	4,736	3,576	3.37	7.00	75.5
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	8,137	3,676	1,629	1,649	1,392	5.00	2.23	84.4
2	Clerical and sales	19,082	8,219	4,860	1,967	1,574	3.93	4.18	80.0
	Entry codes 4/	3,505	1,370	---	---	---	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	11,844	5,145	3,783	1,762	1,454	3.13	2.92	82.5
	25-29 Sales	3,733	1,704	1 077	205	120	3.47	8.31	58.5
3	Service	12,487	5,890	4,319	388	190	2.89	15.18	49.0
	Entry codes 4/	1,814	783	---	---	---	----	----	----
	30 Domestic	698	318	611	26	10	1.14	12.23	38.5
	31-39 Other	9,975	4,789	1,875	362	180	5.32	13.23	49.7
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	2,334	721	630	32	13	3.70	22.53	40.6
5	Processing	1,903	860	1,022	40	9	1.86	21.50	22.5
6	Machine trades	3,899	1,895	735	106	47	5.30	17.88	44.3
7	Bench work	3,787	1,788	720	94	32	5.26	19.02	34.0
8	Structural work	9,166	4,425	2,389	125	52	3.84	35.40	41.6
9	Miscellaneous	10,962	5,382	5,083	104	36	2.16	51.75	34.6
	Entry codes 4/	1,898	863	---	---	---	----	----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	4,028	2,041	1,835	52	14	2.20	39.25	26.9
	92 Packaging, materials handling	4,661	2,303	3,069	43	14	1.52	164.50	32.6
	93-97 Other 5/	375	175	179	9	8	2.09	19.44	88.9

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: 10-1-80 through 2-28-81. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES[1]

By Occupation

February 1981

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,174	3,137	$ 9,732/yr	$ 9,189/yr	1,810	1,702	887	771
Professional, technical, and managerial	650	623	12,287/yr	11,643/yr	514	480	276	307
Clerical and Sales	1,133	1,110	8,253/yr	8,239/yr	698	706	401	228
Service	470	473	3.68/hr	3.72/hr	227	201	92	85
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and related	53	37	3.99/hr	3.91/hr	23	10	8	3
Processing	108	183	4.80/hr	4.85/hr	31	35	4	3
Machine Trades	168	154	5.26/hr	5.14/hr	83	77	34	27
Bench Work	166	135	4.20hr	3.91/hr	81	67	30	9
Structural Work	224	232	4.85/hr	4.89/hr	97	68	24	32
Miscellaneous	202	190	4.58/hr	4.21/hr	56	58	18	17

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[1] Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

February 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb 1981 2/	Jan 1981 3/	Feb 1980 3/	Feb 1981 2/	Jan 1981 3/	Feb 1980 3/	Feb 1981 2/	Jan 1981 3/	Feb 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$312.45	$317.49	$279.73	39.5	40.6	40.6	$7.91	$7.82	$6.89
Durable goods	310.47	312.66	275.47	39.5	40.5	41.3	7.86	7.72	6.67
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	255.18	260.65	229.36	38.2	40.1	37.6	6.68	6.50	6.10
Primary and fabricated metals	316.01	313.94	282.49	39.9	40.3	39.9	7.92	7.79	7.08
Machinery and transportation equipment	340.98	341.12	295.75	40.4	41.0	42.8	8.44	8.32	6.91
Nondurable goods	322.38	322.34	284.49	40.5	40.7	39.9	7.96	7.92	7.13
Food and kindred products	356.51	362.95	311.08	41.6	42.5	40.4	8.57	8.54	7.70
Meat products	381.92	399.25	341.50	41.2	42.7	40.8	9.27	9.35	8.37
Dairy products	222.37	219.83	194.66	37.0	36.7	35.2	6.01	5.99	5.53
Grain mill products	478.73	458.83	387.35	49.1	48.4	46.5	9.75	9.48	8.33
Bakery products	253.76	253.98	228.80	33.7	34.0	33.5	7.53	7.47	6.83
Other food and kindred products	241.30	238.20	204.05	39.3	39.9	36.7	6.14	5.97	5.56
Printing and publishing	238.39	242.19	248.33	34.3	35.1	38.5	6.95	6.90	6.45
Chemicals and allied products	287.23	315.92	296.81	39.4	44.0	44.7	7.29	7.18	6.64

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing decreased by $5.04 from January 1981 to February 1981. Durable goods dropped by $2.19 while nondurable goods had a very slight rise of $.04. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $32.72, including a gain of $35.00 in durable goods and a rise of $37.89 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours dipped by 1.1 hours, both month-to-month and year-to-year. Average hourly earnings increased by $.09 month-to-month, and by $1.02 year-to-year.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 workers)

January 1981

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1980 3/	Jan 1980 3/	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1980 3/	Jan 1980 3/	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1980 3/	Jan 1980 3/	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1980 3/	Jan 1980 3/	Jan 1981 2/	Dec 1981 3/	Jan 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	33	21	45	28	18	38	33	28	38	20	17	24	7	6	6
Durable goods	30	18	44	25	15	38	31	25	35	18	13	22	7	6	6
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	46	31	56	22	13	26	70	69	88	34	25	35	31	40	48
Furniture and fixtures	23	11	39	22	11	39	14	17	31	11	14	23	1	1	4/
Primary and fabricated metals	22	11	29	18	9	26	27	22	30	11	11	17	11	5	6
Machinery and transportation equipment	29	16	44	26	14	42	26	17	27	16	10	19	3	2	1
Other durable goods	44	37	59	39	35	54	36	32	41	29	22	32	4/	3	1
Nondurable goods	36	25	46	31	22	38	34	31	42	21	22	26	7	5	6
Food and kindred products	38	24	41	32	22	34	34	34	42	23	25	23	6	4	9
Meat products	45	25	46	42	24	43	42	39	47	29	32	24	6	2	13
Dairy products	29	33	41	21	25	38	14	25	27	3	19	21	1	4/	4/
Grain mill products	15	19	21	13	18	20	17	14	22	10	9	14	3	3	1
Bakery products	36	32	23	29	29	16	43	32	46	29	29	28	1	4/	13
Other food and kindred products	42	20	55	22	18	30	35	42	57	25	19	27	9	17	9
Textiles and apparel	36	32	77	33	29	52	82	46	38	41	24	34	33	21	1
Paper and allied products	23	17	42	22	15	40	13	10	26	10	10	20	1	4/	3
Printing and publishing	47	32	35	44	28	32	27	28	45	18	23	29	4	4/	1
Chemicals and allied products	15	16	53	13	16	23	20	13	27	7	9	19	6	1	4/
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	27	22	71	18	16	65	39	31	49	18	13	37	11	13	1

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.
NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.
4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing increased from 21 per 1,000 workers in December 1980 to 33 per 1,000 in January 1981. Durable goods increased from 18 per 1,000 in December 1980 to 30 per 1,000 in January 1981. Nondurable goods also increased during that period - from 25 per 1,000 to 36 per 1,000. Year-to-year accessions showed a decline from 45 per 1,000 in January 1980 to 33 per 1,000 in January 1981. Durable goods dropped from 44 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000 , year-to-year, and nondurable goods also dipped from 46 per 1,000 to 36 per 1,000 during that period. Separations increased from 28 per 1,000 in December 1980 to 33 per 1,000 in January 1981, but dropped from 38 per 1,000 in January 1980 to 33 per 1,000 in January 1981. Layoffs increased from 6 per 1,000 to 7 per 1,000 both month-to-month and year-to-year.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

February 1981

	February 1981	January 1981	February 1980
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	6,652	9,476	6,188
Weeks claimed	65,687	63,971	53,980
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$5,438,272	$5,160,977	$4,678,598
Calendar year to date	$10,599,249	$5,160,977	$9,416,731
Average size of weekly payments	$93.37	$92.77	$94.06
First payments	4,462	6,225	4,325
Exhaustions	1,318	1,324	973
Individuals who drew benefits	19,612	19,458	16,629
Rate of insured unemployment	2.8	2.4	2.3
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$82,139	$83,818	$65,108
Average size of weekly payments	$75.36	$73.65	$77.05
First payments	42	53	51
Exhaustions	34	36	27
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$41,564	$42,705	$36,430
Average size of weekly payments	$91.15	$92.44	$82.80
First payments	28	25	31
Exhaustions	6	8	4
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	37,563	37,346	38,257
Contributions received	$4,370,105	$1,855,431	$4,209,687
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$75,398,591	$73,855,721	$79,055,885

Extended benefits totaled 573 weeks for $49,752.

UI initial claims in area claims centers decreased from 9,476 in January 1981 to 6,652 in February 1981.

Weeks claimed increased from 63,971 in January 1981 to 65,687 in February 1981.

UI benefit payments increased from 5.2 million in January 1981 to 5.4 million in February 1981.

The number of insured unemployed increased from 14,456 in January 1981 to 16,477 in February 1981.

The rate of insured unemployment increased from 2.4 percent in January 1981 to 2.8 percent in February 1981.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 6.2 million, compared to 6.7 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 75.4 million on February 28, 1981 compared to 79.1 million on February 28, 1980.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

February 1981

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	11,425	73.3
Female	4,152	26.7
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	14,282	92.0
All other races	1,295	8.0
AGE:		
Under 22	2,246	14.4
22 - 44	9,439	60.6
45 and over	3,892	25.0
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	5,809	37.3
5 - 14	8,127	52.2
15 and over	1,641	10.5

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	2,734	17.6
Clerical and sales	1,777	11.4
Service	953	6.1
Farm and related	315	2.0
Processing	576	3.7
Machine trades	755	4.8
Bench work	707	4.5
Structural work	5,485	35.2
Miscellaneous	2,275	14.7
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and mining	5,007	32.1
Manufacturing	3,612	23.2
Durable goods	2,031	13.0
Nondurable goods	1,581	10.2
Transportation, communication and utilities	654	4.2
Trade (wholesale and retail)	2,531	16.3
Finance, insurance and real estate	297	1.9
Services	1,611	10.3
Government	352	2.3
Other	1,513	9.7

1/ Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for February 1981 was 15,577.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

THE
CONSUMER
PRICE
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Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

ONSUMER PRICE INDEX, FEBRUARY 1981

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	263.2	1.0	11.3	263.5	1.1	11.4
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	263.7	0.9	10.5	264.3	0.8	10.6
Food	270.8	0.8	10.6	271.4	0.8	10.7
Food at home	267.3	0.6	10.8	267.0	0.7	10.7
Cereals & bakery products	265.3	0.9	12.0	265.0	0.8	11.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	252.5	-1.0	6.9	251.6	-1.0	6.4
Dairy products	242.1	0.8	10.3	242.5	0.7	10.3
Fruits and vegetables	267.3	3.8	17.1	266.5	4.5	18.0
Other foods at home	323.0	0.8	12.2	323.6	0.9	12.6
Food away from home	284.7	1.4	10.2	287.3	1.1	10.5
Alcoholic beverages	195.9	1.1	8.6	197.6	1.1	9.1
HOUSING	280.9	0.6	12.1	280.7	0.6	12.1
Shelter	300.5	0.1	12.5	301.7	0	12.4
Rent (residential)	201.9	0.5	8.8	201.6	0.5	8.7
Other rental costs	278.5	1.7	8.9	278.3	1.7	8.9
Homeownership	335.8	0	13.3	338.2	-0.1	13.3
Fuel and other utilities	304.5	2.6	15.4	305.6	2.7	15.6
Fuels	387.4	3.2	18.4	387.3	3.3	18.4
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	675.6	7.9	25.3	678.5	8.1	25.6
Gas (piped) & electricity	322.9	1.4	15.8	322.1	1.4	15.7
Household furnishings & operation	214.9	1.1	8.0	211.7	1.0	7.6
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	182.0	0.5	5.9	181.8	0.6	6.0
Men's & boys' apparel	171.6	0.3	5.5	172.2	0.3	5.7
Women's & girls' apparel	153.4	0.9	1.5	155.4	1.0	2.7
Footwear	194.9	0	5.6	194.9	-0.3	6.0
TRANSPORTATION	270.9	2.3	13.1	272.1	2.4	13.3
Private transportation	269.4	2.5	12.3	271.0	2.5	12.7
Public transportation	288.1	0.6	25.5	280.6	0.6	25.3
MEDICAL CARE	282.6	1.1	9.6	284.4	1.1	9.9
Medical care services	305.2	1.0	9.4	307.4	1.0	9.9
ENTERTAINMENT	216.7	1.1	9.6	215.0	1.3	9.6
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	227.4	0.5	9.3	225.6	0.5	8.6
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	306.1			306.5		

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NEBRASKA Work Trends

March 1981

EMPLOYMENT BY STATE [1/]

(Nonagricultural payroll data, in thousands)

State	Dec 1979	Nov 1980	Dec 1980 [2/]
Alabama	1,378.2	1,348.2	1,352.4
Alaska	163.6	171.3	167.8
Arizona	1,010.7	1,016.5	1,021.0
Arkansas	757.8	755.0	755.4
California	9,866.9	9,824.2	9,874.0
Colorado 3/	1,247.5	1,265.2	1,266.5
Connecticut	1,432.0	1,411.2	1,419.0
Delaware	261.8	261.2	262.0
District of Columbia	624.1	617.0	620.0
Florida	3,503.5	3,585.4	3,623.6
Georgia	2,147.3	2,162.3	2,168.7
Hawaii	407.4	405.1	407.9
Idaho	338.9	335.6	331.5
Illinois	4,866.6	4,798.2	4,796.5
Indiana	2,219.9	2,244.6	2,239.4
Iowa 3/	1,145.4	1,100.8	1,097.6
Kansas 3/	968.1	956.3	956.8
Kentucky	1,262.5	1,219.6	1,215.6
Louisana	1,525.8	1,576.2	1,581.6
Maine	418.7	417.8	415.9
Maryland	1,717.5	1,706.7	1,715.2
Massachusetts	2,658.9	2,694.8	2,696.9
Michigan	3,626.3	3,534.9	4/
Minnesota	1,807.4	1,790.2	1,784.9
Mississippi	850.3	831.9	833.2
Missouri	2,014.0	1,985.7	1,980.4
Montana 3/	285.3	282.8	282.0
NEBRASKA 3/	641.3	633.2	632.3
Nevada	394.7	405.0	400.8
New Hampshire	380.7	385.1	384.3
New Jersey	3,073.1	3,052.2	3,061.4
New Mexico	471.5	470.1	470.5
New York	7,271.6	7,216.0	7,223.0
North Carolina	2,422.7	2,447.1	2,450.0
North Dakota 3/	248.1	249.7	247.6
Ohio	4,534.3	4,453.9	4,445.5
Oklahoma	1,122.1	1,151.1	1,155.0
Oregon 3/	4/	1,036.2	1,027.0
Pennsylvania	4,892.9	4,798.9	4,788.7
Rhode Island	404.7	398.2	400.9
South Carolina	1,198.7	1,188.7	1,191.9
South Dakota 3/	242.8	235.7	234.7
Tennessee	1,810.6	1,773.9	1,773.5
Texas	5,754.9	5,919.5	5,934.3
Utah 3/	558.0	564.8	564.2
Vermont	202.7	202.9	203.8
Virginia	2,128.1	2,142.8	2,148.2
Washington	1,616.0	1,615.4	1,613.9
West Virginia	659.7	636.3	635.0
Wisconsin	2,011.7	2,010.4	2,005.0
Wyoming	205.0	207.9	208.7
Virgin Islands	36.6	36.1	36.7

[1/] Source of data: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, as presented in Monthly Labor Review, March 1981.

[2/] Preliminary.

[3/] Revised series; not strictly comparable with previously published data.

[4/] Information not available.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) Program

We are often asked for Nebraska:

What is the occupational mix within a specific industry?
What is the occupational makeup in the total labor force?
What occupations tend to be impacted by industrial expansion or cutback?

Doctor
Lawyer
Merchant
Chief

Butcher
Baker
Candle-
stick
Maker

We do not have answers to these questions - - - - - which is the reason we need to add occupational information to our data bank for your occupational planning needs.

Basic occupational employment statistics program information is presented on the reverse side in a question and answer format.

OCCUPATIONAL EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS
FACT SHEET

QUESTION:	*ANSWER:*
Will all firms within an industry be sampled?	*No. From each industry approximately a 10% random sample will be drawn.*
What is the survey plan?	*This year (1981) a sampling of nonmanufacturing (mining, construction, insurance, real estate and services) will receive a survey form. A sampling of trade, transportation, communications and utilities establishments are scheduled to receive a form in 1982. A sampling of manufacturing establishments will receive a survey form in 1983.*
Will agriculture be included in the sample?	*No. However, agricultural services, as opposed to agriculture per se will be included in the sample.*
When will the questionnaires be mailed to a sampling of nonmanufacturing establishments in 1981?	*One-third of the establishments in the sample will receive a questionnaire in May - one-third will receive a questionnaire in June - one-third will receive a questionnaire in July.*
Will survey results be published?	*Yes. Occupational information will be published by industry (no firm identification) as each survey cycle is completed.*
How will the business community benefit?	*Employers who request occupational information tell us that business establishments who have to depend on interests, talents, and skills of workers have a need for occupational information. Educators and trainers use occupational information to assist them to prepare students for occupations that are realistic in terms of labor market demand. Occupational information is a vital tool for personnel management.*
How will the general public benefit?	*Workers preparing for a job or looking for a job need to know about occupations available in the labor force to choose occupations that they can perform, are willing to perform, and can derive satisfaction from performing. Occupational information is basic to effective vocational counseling and career guidance.*
Is this a mandatory program?	*NO. EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION IS STRICTLY VOLUNTARY. Your reply will be kept in strict confidence.*

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Mar 1981	Feb 1981	Mar 1980	Feb 1981	Mar 1980
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	778,100	761,450	780,950	16,650	-2,850
Employment	740,800	721,750	750,000	19,050	-9,200
Unemployment	37,300	39,700	30,950	-2,400	6,350
Unemployment rate [2]	4.8	5.2	4.0	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA [3]					
Civilian labor force	283,200	278,500	286,300	4,700	-3,100
Employment	267,800	262,700	272,050	5,100	-4,250
Unemployment	15,400	15,800	14,250	-400	1,150
Unemployment rate [2]	5.4	5.7	5.0	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA [4]					
Civilian labor force	110,100	110,700	112,600	-600	-2,500
Employment	105,550	105,850	108,800	-300	-3,250
Unemployment	4,550	4,850	3,800	-300	750
Unemployment rate [2]	4.1	4.4	3.4	xxx	xxx

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[1] Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

[2] Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

[3] Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 242,000 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 41,200 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

[4] Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment decreased by 2,400 from February 1981 to March 1981, reaching a new total of 37,300. The March 1981 total was 6,350 more than in March 1980. The unemployment rate dropped from 5.2 percent in February 1981 to 4.8 percent in March 1981, and compared to 4.0 percent in March 1980.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA decreased by 400 from February 1981 to March 1981, but increased by 1,150 from March 1980. The unemployment rate moved downward from 5.7 percent in February 1981 to 5.4 percent in March 1981, and compared to 5.0 percent in March 1980.

The number of unemployed in the Lincoln SMSA decreased by 300 from February 1981 to March 1981, and increased by 750 from March 1980. The unemployment rate dropped from 4.4 percent in February 1981 to 4.1 percent in March 1981, and compared to 3.4 percent in March 1980.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 14,550 from March 1981 to April 1981, reaching a new total of 792,250. The unemployment segment is projected at 29,800, while the employment segment is projected at 762,450.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [1/]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Mar 1981 [2/]	Feb 1981 [3/]	Mar 1980 [3/]	Change From: Feb 1981	Mar 1980	Percent Change From Feb 1981
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	621,087	618,830	629,358	2,257	-8,271	- 1.3
MANUFACTURING	94,954	95,095	99,066	- 141	-4,112	- 4.2
Durable goods	48,841	48,356	52,174	485	-3,333	- 6.4
Construction material	4,665	4,589	4,853	76	- 188	- 3.9
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,227	2,210	2,134	17	93	4.4
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,438	2,379	2,719	59	- 281	-10.3
Furniture & fixtures	1,684	1,684	1,850	0	- 166	- 9.0
Metals	8,942	9,017	9,545	- 75	- 603	- 6.3
Primary metal industries	1,857	1,857	1,961	0	- 104	- 5.3
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & trans. equipment	7,085	7,160	7,584	- 75	- 499	- 6.6
Machinery except electrical	13,254	13,025	13,659	229	- 405	- 3.0
Farm machinery & equipment	7,557	7,433	8,051	124	- 494	- 6.1
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,755	9,544	10,921	211	-1,166	-10.7
Transportation equipment	5,050	4,928	5,800	122	- 750	-12.9
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,393	2,316	3,136	77	- 743	-23.7
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,491	5,569	5,546	- 78	- 55	- 1.0
Nondurable goods	46,113	46,739	46,892	- 626	- 779	- 1.7
Food & kindred products	26,418	27,047	27,192	- 629	- 774	- 2.8
Meat products	13,534	13,488	14,058	46	- 524	- 3.7
Dairy products	1,839	1,852	1,796	- 13	43	2.4
Grain mill	4,358	4,293	4,567	65	- 209	- 4.6
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	6,687	7,414	6,771	- 727	- 84	- 1.2
Textile products & apparel	2,538	2,491	2,463	47	75	3.0
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,608	7,605	7,682	3	- 74	- 1.0
Chemicals & allied products	2,630	2,619	2,515	11	115	4.6
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,919	6,977	7,040	- 58	- 121	- 1.7
NONMANUFACTURING	526,133	523,735	530,292	2,398	-4,159	- 0.8
MINING	1,508	1,417	1,716	91	- 208	-12.1
CONSTRUCTION	25,429	24,500	25,701	929	- 272	- 1.1
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	7,426	7,094	7,368	332	58	0.8
Construction other than building construction - gen. contractors	4,366	4,240	4,563	126	- 197	- 4.3
Construction - special trade contractors	13,637	13,166	13,770	471	- 133	- 1.0
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	46,974	46,531	46,953	443	21	0.0
Railroad transportation	16,033	15,781	16,064	252	- 31	- 0.2
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,321	14,219	14,198	102	123	0.9
Communication & electric, gas & sanitary services	16,620	16,531	16,691	89	- 71	- 0.4

TRADE	160,658	159,701	163,706	957	-3,048	- 1.9
Wholesale	48,570	48,208	49,027	362	- 457	- 0.9
Durable goods	24,669	24,499	25,196	170	- 527	- 2.1
Nondurable goods	23,901	23,709	23,831	192	70	0.3
Retail	112,088	111,493	114,679	595	-2,591	- 2.3
Building materials, hardware, garden supply & mobile home dealers	6,610	6,411	5,852	199	758	13.0
General merchandise stores	14,296	14,340	15,573	- 44	-1,277	- 8.2
Food stores	15,622	15,599	16,105	23	- 483	- 3.0
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	15,173	15,323	15,960	- 150	- 787	- 4.9
Apparel & accessory stores	6,626	6,660	6,693	- 34	- 67	- 1.0
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,001	4,050	4,112	- 49	- 111	- 2.7
Eating & drinking places	37,459	36,827	38,080	632	- 621	- 1.6
Miscellaneous retail	12,301	12,283	12,304	18	- 3	0.0
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,610	3,603	3,615	7	- 5	- 0.1
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,691	8,680	8,689	11	2	0.0
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	42,937	42,671	41,574	266	1,363	3.3
Banking	10,831	10,810	10,614	21	217	2.0
Insurance	20,791	20,664	20,297	127	494	2.4
Real estate	4,390	4,335	4,310	55	80	1.9
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,925	6,862	6,353	63	572	9.0
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	118,253	116,884	116,148	1,369	2,105	1.8
Hotels, rooming houses, camps & other lodging places	6,549	6,489	6,633	60	- 84	- 1.3
Personal services	6,413	6,317	6,373	96	40	0.6
Business services	16,390	16,424	16,535	- 34	37	0.2
Automotive repair, services, & garages	3,835	3,811	3,836	24	- 1	0.0
Amusement & recreation	5,774	5,392	5,307	382	467	8.8
Health services	43,142	42,933	41,252	209	1,890	4.6
Educational services	8,831	8,794	9,528	37	- 697	- 7.3
Social services	6,243	6,163	6,370	80	- 127	- 2.0
Membership services	8,757	8,551	8,948	206	- 191	- 2.1
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,319	12,010	11,366	309	953	8.4
GOVERNMENT	130,374	132,031	134,494	-1,657	-4,120	- 3.1
Federal	15,526	15,666	16,150	- 140	- 624	- 3.9
State	30,689	32,723	33,902	-2,034	-3,213	- 9.5
Local	84,159	83,642	84,442	517	- 283	- 0.3

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

2/ Preliminary estimates.

3/ Revised.

MARCH 1981 IN REVIEW . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 2,257 from February 1981 to March 1981. This included a substantial rise of 2,398 in nonmanufacturing which considerably more than counterbalanced a slight drop in manufacturing (-141).

The small drop of 141 in manufacturing occurred entirely in nondurable goods with a decrease of 626. The drop in nondurable goods was primarily in food processing (-629), and was of a customary seasonal nature. At the same time, durable goods rose by 485, paced by an increase of 299 in machinery except electrical.

Month-to-month increases occurred in construction/mining (1,020), transportation-communication-utilities (443), trade (957), finance-insurance-real estate (266), and service (1,369). The increase of 957 in trade included a gain of 362 in wholesale trade and an increase of 595 in retail trade. The major increase in retail trade was in eating and drinking places (632). Over one-half of the 1,369 increase in service occurred in three categories: amusement and recreation (382), health services (209), and membership services (206).

A decrease from February 1981 to March 1981 was reported only in government (-1,657), led by a drop of 2,034 in state government, reflecting customary seasonal changes in educational services.

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 8,271 from March 1980 to March 1981. This included a decrease of 4,112 in manufacturing and a drop of 4,159 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease of 4,112 in manufacturing included a decline of 3,333 in durable goods, along with a smaller dip of 779 in nondurable goods. Three categories of durable goods manufacturing accounted for approximately three-fourths of the year-to-year decrease: electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,166), transportation equipment (-750), and metals (-603). The largest drop in nondurable goods was in food processing (-774).

Year-to-year increases occurred in transportation-communication-utilities (21), finance-insurance-real estate (1,363), and services (2,105). The major gain in services was in health services (1,890).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in trade (-3,048), construction/mining (-480), and government (-4,120). The decrease of 3,048 in trade included a dip of 457 in wholesale trade and a reduction of 2,591 in retail trade. Two categories of retail trade accounted for approximately four-fifths of the decline: general merchandise stores (-1,277), and automotive dealers and gas service stations (-787). The reduction in government occurred in all components: federal, state, and local.

OUTLOOK. . . . .

Employment activity in May 1981 is projected to show seasonal increases in all major industry groups except manufacturing. Substantial increases are anticipated in service and agriculture. Moderate seasonal gains are expected in construction/mining and trade. Small increases are expected in transportation-communication-utilities, finance-insurance-real estate and government. Employment levels in manufacturing are expected to remain relatively unchanged.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND

APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

March 1981

				Nonag Job Openings				Active File/	Unfilled
					Unfilled			Unfilled	Openings
		Applicants Available FY to date [2]	Active File	Received FY to date [2]	Total	30 days or more	Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Openings End-of-mo.	30 days + % of total
TOTAL [3]		82,483	30,946	25,801	5,190	3,743	3.20	5.96	72.1
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	8,893	2,631	2,034	1,772	1,483	4.37	1.48	83.7
2	Clerical and sales	21,082	7,265	5,865	2,040	1,629	3.55	3.56	79.9
	Entry codes [4]	3,879	1,215	---	---	---	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	13,106	4,599	4,535	1,788	1,491	2.89	2.57	83.4
	25-29 Sales	4,097	1,451	1,330	252	138	3.08	5.76	54.8
3	Service	13,742	5,420	5,283	462	177	2.60	11.73	38.3
	Entry codes [4]	2,013	736	---	---	---	----	----	----
	30 Domestic	776	297	777	32	13	1.00	9.28	40.6
	31-39 Other	10,953	4,387	4,506	231	67	2.43	18.99	29.0
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	2,559	694	704	22	10	3.63	31.55	45.5
5	Processing	2,062	782	1,202	46	14	1.72	17.00	30.4
6	Machine trades	4,212	1,671	946	150	46	4.45	11.14	30.7
7	Bench work	4,104	1,493	903	113	42	4.54	13.21	37.2
8	Structural work	10,212	4,123	2,887	206	62	3.54	20.01	30.1
9	Miscellaneous	11,868	4,692	5,971	147	49	1.99	31.92	33.3
	Entry codes [4]	2,068	771	---	---	---	----	----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	4,350	1,806	2,102	72	26	2.07	25.08	36.1
	92 Packaging, materials handling	5,041	1,955	3,663	60	16	1.38	32.58	26.7
	93-97 Other [5]	409	160	206	15	7	1.99	10.67	46.7

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[1] Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

[2] Period covered: 10-1-80 through 3-31-81. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.

[3] Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

[4] Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

[5] Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES[1]

By Occupation

March 1981

	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,362	3,174	$ 9,368/yr	$ 9,372/yr	2,015	1,810	1,138	887
Professional, technical and managerial	690	650	12,217/yr	12,287/yr	594	514	372	276
Clerical and Sales	1,064	1,133	8,272/yr	8,253/yr	700	698	466	401
Service	531	470	3.69/hr	3.68/hr	250	227	122	92
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and related	92	53	4.05/hr	3.99/hr	27	23	7	8
Processing	122	108	4.84/hr	4.80/hr	31	31	6	4
Machine Trades	192	168	4.64/hr	5.26/hr	109	83	44	34
Bench Work	143	166	4.07/hr	4.20/hr	72	81	35	30
Structural Work	299	224	4.96/hr	4.85/hr	143	97	58	24
Miscellaneous	229	202	4.48/hr	4.58/hr	89	56	28	18

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[1] Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

March 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Mar 1981 2/	Feb 1981 3/	Mar 1980 3/	Mar 1981 2/	Feb 1981 3/	Mar 1980 3/	Mar 1981 2/	Feb 1981 3/	Mar 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$317.56	$311.66	$286.23	40.3	39.5	40.6	$7.88	$7.89	$7.05
Durable goods	316.24	310.46	285.25	40.7	39.6	41.4	7.77	7.84	6.89
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	268.93	254.77	240.52	39.9	37.8	38.3	6.74	6.74	6.28
Primary and fabricated metals	315.09	312.83	284.62	40.5	39.8	40.2	7.78	7.86	7.08
Machinery and transportation equipment	344.86	340.57	314.03	41.4	40.4	42.9	8.33	8.43	7.32
Nondurable goods	320.00	321.08	288.15	40.0	39.3	39.8	8.00	8.17	7.24
Food and kindred products	360.59	352.67	317.95	41.4	41.2	40.4	8.71	8.56	7.87
Meat products	384.29	380.70	334.32	41.5	40.5	39.8	9.26	9.40	8.40
Dairy products	226.95	222.38	205.90	37.7	37.5	36.9	6.02	5.93	5.58
Grain mill products	439.13	455.90	412.30	45.6	48.5	47.5	9.63	9.40	8.68
Bakery products	267.71	256.43	228.49	35.6	34.1	33.9	7.52	7.52	6.74
Other food and kindred products	264.99	241.08	220.60	39.2	39.2	38.1	6.76	6.15	5.79
Printing and publishing	248.45	239.40	246.24	35.8	34.2	38.0	6.94	7.00	6.48
Chemicals and allied products	320.78	310.99	305.32	42.6	41.8	44.9	7.53	7.44	6.80

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $5.90 from February 1981 to March 1981. This included a rise of $5.87 in durable goods along with a small dip of $1.08 in nondurable goods. From March 1980 to March 1981, average weekly earnings increased by $31.33, including a gain of $30.99 in durable goods and an increase of $31.85 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours increased by 0.8 hours month-to-month, but dropped by 0.3 hours year-to-year.

Average hourly earnings had a very slight increase of $.01 from February 1981 to March 1981, and increased by $.83 from March 1980 to March 1981.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 workers)

FEBRUARY 1981

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Feb 1981 2/	Jan 1981 3/	Feb 1980 3/	Feb 1981 2/	Jan 1981 3/	Feb 1980 3/	Feb 1981 2/	Jan 1981 3/	Feb 1980 3/	Feb 1981 2/	Jan 1981 3/	Feb 1980 3/	Feb 1981 2/	Jan 1981 3/	Feb 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	27	32	29	19	24	23	27	33	32	13	15	20	8	13	6
Durable goods	27	29	29	16	21	21	26	37	32	11	12	18	8	15	8
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	49	31	65	27	26	32	51	76	57	17	21	26	28	50	25
Furniture and fixtures	31	13	20	14	11	19	11	17	17	8	10	11	1	5	4/
Primary and fabricated metals	30	33	22	22	20	17	43	28	26	9	10	14	18	16	6
Machinery and transportation equipment	23	24	24	12	19	17	15	24	28	9	9	16	1	11	6
Other durable goods	22	46	42	17	36	38	35	41	44	21	29	30	6	1	5
Nondurable goods	26	36	30	21	27	27	28	35	32	15	18	22	8	11	5
Food and kindred products	24	40	31	18	26	27	30	38	32	15	20	21	11	12	6
Meat products	27	54	36	22	38	35	37	41	36	20	25	23	14	12	7
Dairy products	20	12	11	20	12	11	11	18	14	8	12	11	3	3	3
Grain mill products	8	13	19	4	8	15	19	24	22	4	8	14	10	5	5
Bakery products	13	31	31	9	25	7	27	43	26	10	19	14	8	6	6
Other food and kindred products	35	37	38	21	14	25	27	51	41	15	19	26	7	25	6
Textiles and apparel	52	48	38	45	40	35	39	38	51	29	27	41	7	9	6
Paper and allied products	21	19	12	17	15	12	24	28	24	15	14	19	4/	4	4/
Printing and publishing	18	38	35	17	34	33	19	28	36	12	18	26	2	6	1
Chemicals and allied products	14	9	25	14	7	24	12	29	17	3	9	10	6	14	5
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	46	30	21	38	24	18	36	38	25	17	14	17	9	17	4

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.
Note: Accessions, other than new hires, and separations, other than quits and layoffs, are not shown separately but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.
4/ Less than one-half.

Accession rates in Nebraska manufacturing decreased from 32 per 1,000 workers in January, 1981 to 27 per 1,000 workers in February 1981. Durable goods dropped from 29 per 1,000 to 27 per 1,000 during that period, while nondurable goods dipped from 36 per 1,000 to 26 per 1,000. Separation rates decreased from 33 per 1,000 in January 1981 to 27 per 1,000 in February 1981. Layoffs also dropped month-to-month from 13 per 1,000 to 8 per 1,000 but increased from 6 per 1,000 a year ago.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

March 1981

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)	Mar 1981	Feb 1981	Mar 1980
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	5,832	6,652	5,266
Weeks Claimed	69,871	65,687	55,127
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$ 5,798,927	$ 5,438,272	$ 4,823,979
Calendar year to date	$16,398,176	$10,599,249	$14,240,710
Average size of weekly payments	$ 92.46	$ 93.37	$ 93.84
First payments	3,701	4,462	3,156
Exhaustions	1,693	1,318	1,324
Individuals who drew benefits	19,545	19,612	16,745
Rate of insured unemployment	2.5	2.8	2.2
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$ 83,431	$ 82,139	$ 71,358
Average size of weekly payments	$ 71.55	$ 75.36	$ 74.49
First payments	36	42	41
Exhaustions	37	34	20
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$ 42,599	$ 41,564	$ 33,337
Average size of weekly payments	$ 91.41	$ 91.15	$ 80.14
First payments	17	28	25
Exhaustions	5	6	1
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	37,736	37,563	38,552
Contributions received	$ 232,359	$ 4,370,105	$ 105,325
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$70,329,329	$75,398,591	74,636,410

UI initial claims in area claims centers decreased from 6,652 in February 1981 to 5,832 in March 1981. Weeks claimed increased from 65,687 in February to 69,871 in March 1981.

UI benefit payments increased from 5.4 million in February to 5.8 million in March 1981.

The number of insured unemployed decreased from 16,477 in February to 14,632 in March 1980.

The rate of insured unemployment decreased from 2.8% in February to 2.4% in March 1980.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 6.5 million, compared to 6.8 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 70.3 million March 31, 1981, compared to 74.6 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED

March 1981

	Amount	Percent of total
SEX:		
Male	9,822	71.1
Female	3.994	28.9
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	12,590	91.1
All other races	1,226	8.9
AGE:		
Under 22	1,939	14.1
22 - 44	8,419	60.9
45 and over	3,458	25.0
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	4,292	31.1
5 - 14	7,388	53.5
15 and over	2,136	15.4

	Amount	Percent of total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, tech., and managerial	2,639	19.1
Clerical and sales	1,733	12.5
Service	925	6.7
Farm and related	249	1.8
Processing	567	4.1
Machine trades	672	4.9
Bench work	609	4.4
Structural work	4,399	31.8
Miscellaneous	2,023	14.7
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and mining	3,949	28.6
Manufacturing	3,409	24.7
Durable goods	1,717	12.4
Nondurable goods	1,692	12.3
Trans., comm., and utilities	622	4.5
Trade (wholesale & retail)	2,436	17.6
Fin., Ins., and real estate	280	2.0
Services	1,457	10.6
Government	304	2.2
Other	1,359	9.8

1/ Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for March 1981 was 13,816.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 30 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, MARCH 1981

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	265.1	0.7	10.6	265.2	0.6	10.5
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	265.0	0.5	10.0	265.5	0.5	10.1
Food	272.2	0.5	10.1	272.6	0.4	10.1
Food at home	268.6	0.5	10.3	268.1	0.4	10.3
Cereals & bakery products	266.7	0.5	11.8	266.5	0.6	11.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	250.5	-0.8	5.3	249.9	-0.7	5.4
Dairy products	242.6	0.2	10.1	242.7	0.1	9.8
Fruits and vegetables	278.2	4.1	19.7	275.0	3.2	19.5
Other foods at home	324.1	0.3	11.0	325.2	0.5	11.8
Food away from home	286.1	0.5	9.7	288.6	0.5	9.9
Alcoholic beverages	197.1	0.8	8.5	198.7	0.6	8.7
HOUSING	282.6	0.6	11.0	282.2	0.5	10.9
Shelter	301.6	0.4	11.0	302.6	0.3	11.0
Rent (residential)	203.0	0.5	8.8	202.7	0.5	8.7
Other rental costs	283.6	1.8	9.7	283.5	1.7	9.6
Homeownership	336.8	0.3	11.5	338.8	0.2	11.4
Fuel and other utilities	308.4	1.3	15.1	309.4	1.2	15.1
Fuels	393.7	1.6	17.9	393.4	1.6	17.8
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	693.4	2.6	25.3	696.3	2.6	25.7
Gas (piped) & electricity	326.7	1.2	15.0	325.9	1.2	14.8
Household furnishings & operation	216.9	0.9	7.7	213.7	0.9	7.3
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	185.1	1.7	5.2	184.3	1.4	5.3
Men's & boys' apparel	175.0	2.0	5.7	174.9	1.6	5.4
Women's & girls' apparel	157.5	2.7	1.3	158.9	2.3	2.6
Footwear	197.4	1.3	5.6	195.9	0.5	5.2
TRANSPORTATION	273.5	1.0	12.2	274.4	0.8	12.3
Private transportation	271.7	0.9	11.4	273.2	0.8	11.7
Public transportation	293.9	2.0	26.6	285.1	1.6	26.1
MEDICAL CARE	284.7	0.7	9.4	287.0	0.9	10.0
Medical care services	307.5	0.8	9.2	310.2	0.9	9.9
ENTERTAINMENT	218.2	0.7	8.8	216.1	0.5	8.3
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	228.7	0.6	9.5	226.8	0.5	8.9
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	308.3			308.4		

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QUESTION: Where do we get the employment data contained in this publication?

ANSWER: From YOU - the employer!

The Nebraska Department of Labor, Division of Employment, would like to take this opportunity to extend our gratitude and appreciation to those cooperating employers who provide us with requested data.

This makes it possible for us to supply information necessary for planning and decision-making to Nebraska employers, governmental units, labor organizations, and other individuals and agencies with a need to know about the Nebraska labor force and industrial composition.

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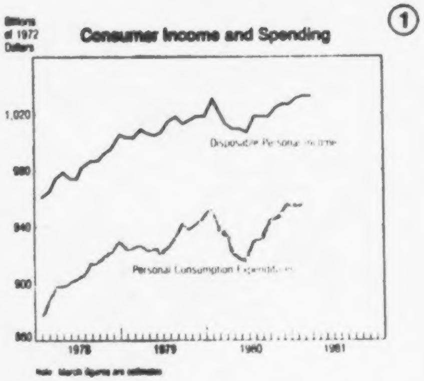
NEBRASKA Work Trends

April 1981

SELECTED ECONOMIC TRENDS - U. S. 1/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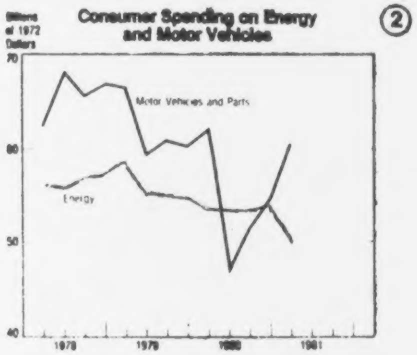
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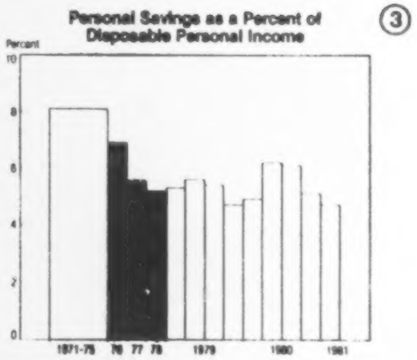
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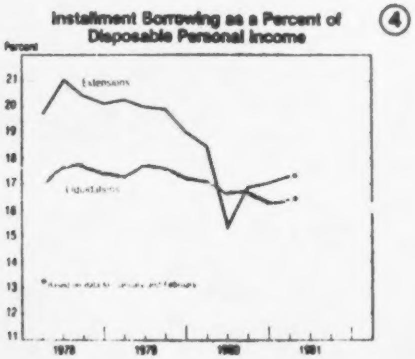
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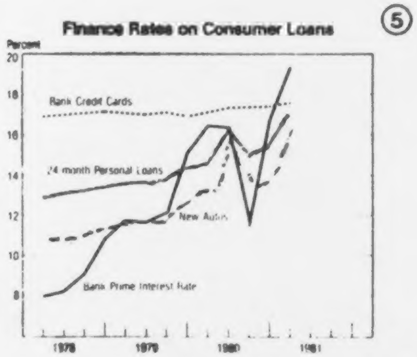
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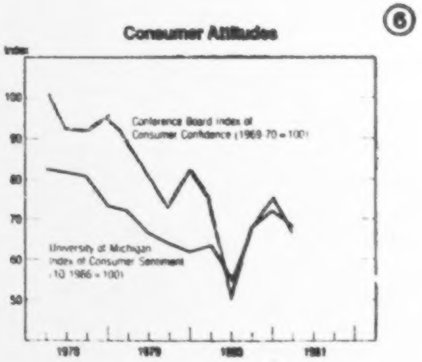
⑥ Consumer Attitudes

1/ Source of data: Business America, May 4, 1981, U.S. Department of Commerce.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) Program

We are often asked for Nebraska:

What is the occupational mix within a specific industry?

What is the occupational makeup in the total labor force?

What occupations tend to be impacted by industrial expansion or cutback?

Doctor
Lawyer
Merchant
Chief

Butcher
Baker
Candle stick Maker

We do not have answers to these questions - - - - - which is the reason we need to add occupational information to our data bank for your occupational planning needs.

Basic occupational employment statistics program information is presented on the reverse side in a question and answer format.

OCCUPATIONAL EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

FACT SHEET

QUESTION:	*ANSWER:*
Will all firms within an industry be sampled?	*No. From each industry approximately a 10% random sample will be drawn.*
What is the survey plan?	*This year (1981) a sampling of nonmanufacturing (mining, construction, insurance, real estate and services) will receive a survey form. A sampling of trade, transportation, communications and utilities establishments are scheduled to receive a form in 1982. A sampling of manufacturing establishments will receive a survey form in 1983.*
Will agriculture be included in the sample?	*No. However, agricultural services, as opposed to agriculture per se will be included in the sample.*
When will the questionnaires be mailed to a sampling of nonmanufacturing establishments in 1981?	*One-third of the establishments in the sample will receive a questionnaire in May - one-third will receive a questionnaire in June - one-third will receive a questionnaire in July.*
Will survey results be published?	*Yes. Occupational information will be published by industry (no firm identification) as each survey cycle is completed.*
How will the business community benefit?	*Employers who request occupational information tell us that business establishments who have to depend on interests, talents, and skills of workers have a need for occupational information. Educators and trainers use occupational information to assist them to prepare students for occupations that are realistic in terms of labor market demand. Occupational information is a vital tool for personnel management.*
How will the general public benefit?	*Workers preparing for a job or looking for a job need to know about occupations available in the labor force to choose occupations that they can perform, are willing to perform, and can derive satisfaction from performing. Occupational information is basic to effective vocational counseling and career guidance.*
Is this a mandatory program?	*NO. EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION IS STRICTLY VOLUNTARY. Your reply will be kept in strict confidence.*

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA 1/

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

April 1981

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Apr 1981	Mar 1981	Apr 1980	Mar 1981	Apr 1980
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	792,250	777,700	796,050	14,550	-3,800
Employment	762,450	740,450	761,100	22,000	-4,650
Unemployment	29,800	37,250	28,950	-7,450	850
Unemployment rate 2/	3.8	4.8	3.6	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	283,700	282,650	287,550	1,050	-3,850
Employment	270,700	267,250	273,750	3,450	-3,050
Unemployment	13,000	15,400	13,800	-2,400	-800
Unemployment rate 2/	4.6	5.4	4.9	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	112,200	110,300	112,350	1,900	-150
Employment	108,650	105,750	180,950	2,900	-300
Unemployment	3,550	4,550	3,400	-1,000	150
Unemployment rate 2/	3.2	4.1	3.0	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 242,500, is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 41,200, is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment decreased by 7,450 from March 1981 to April 1981, reaching a new total of 29,800. The April 1981 total was 850 more than in April 1980. The unemployment rate moved downward from 4.8 percent in March 1981 to 3.8 percent in April 1981, and compared to 3.6 in April 1980. Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA dropped by 2,400 from March 1981 to April 1981 and also decreased by 800 from April 1980. The unemployment rate decreased from 5.4 percent in March 1981 to 4.6 percent in April 1981 and compared to 4.9 percent in April 1980. Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA dropped by 1,000 from March 1981 to April 1981 but increased by 150 from April 1980. The unemployment rate decreased from 4.1 percent in March 1981 to 3.2 percent in April 1981 and compared to 3.0 percent in April 1980.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 21,900 from April 1981 to May 1981, reaching a new total of 814,150. The unemployment segment is projected as 30,000 while the employment segment is projected as 784,150.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Apr 1981 2/	Mar 1981 3/	Apr 1980 3/	Change From		Percent Change From
				Mar 1981	Apr 1980	Apr 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	628,807	620,717	633,640	8,090	-4,833	-0.8
MANUFACTURING	95,774	94,959	96,803	815	-1,029	-1.1
Durable goods	49,503	48,823	51,403	680	-1,900	-3.7
Construction material	4,991	4,747	4,873	244	118	2.4
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,400	2,235	2,056	165	344	16.7
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,591	2,512	2,817	79	-226	-8.0
Furniture & fixtures	1,666	1,672	1,827	-6	-161	-8.8
Metals	8,923	8,889	9,532	34	-609	-6.4
Primary metal industries	1,875	1,851	1,984	24	-109	-5.5
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equip.	7,048	7,038	7,458	10	-410	-5.5
Machinery except electrical	13,563	13,272	13,325	291	238	1.8
Farm machinery & equipment	7,712	7,536	7,822	176	-110	-1.4
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,794	9,701	10,777	93	-983	-9.1
Transportation equipment	5,086	5,034	5,540	52	-454	-8.2
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,400	2,377	2,965	23	-565	-19.1
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,480	5,508	5,529	-28	-49	-0.9
Nondurable goods	46,271	46,136	45,400	135	871	1.9
Food & kindred products	26,469	26,461	26,138	8	331	1.3
Meat products	13,643	13,543	12,952	100	691	5.3
Dairy products	1,860	1,846	1,802	14	58	3.2
Grain mill	4,298	4,365	4,563	-67	-265	-5.8
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	6,668	6,707	6,821	-39	-153	-2.2
Textile products & apparel	2,493	2,528	2,483	-35	10	0.4
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,655	7,579	7,650	76	5	0.1
Chemicals & allied products	2,649	2,647	2,545	2	104	4.1
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	7,005	6,921	6,584	84	421	6.4
NONMANUFACTURING	533,033	525,758	536,837	7,275	-3,804	-0.7
MINING	1,529	1,487	1,769	42	-240	-13.6
CONSTRUCTION	27,261	25,473	27,811	1,788	-550	-2.0
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	7,889	7,468	7,988	421	-99	-1.2
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	5,219	4,366	5,726	853	-507	-8.9
Construction - special trade contractors	14,153	13,639	14,097	514	56	0.4
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	47,081	46,610	47,726	471	-645	-1.4
Railroad transportation	15,989	15,691	16,566	298	-577	-3.5
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,476	14,333	14,497	143	-21	-0.1
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,616	16,586	16,663	30	-47	-0.3

TRADE	163,104	160,559	165,553	2,545	-2,449	-1.5
Wholesale	49,309	48,618	50,503	691	-1,194	-2.4
Durable	25,071	24,671	25,614	400	-543	-2.1
Nondurable	24,238	23,947	24,889	291	-651	-2.6
Retail	113,795	111,941	115,050	1,854	-1,255	-1.1
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	6,861	6,610	6,736	251	125	1.9
General merchandise stores	14,383	14,273	15,662	110	-1,279	-8.2
Food stores	15,587	15,600	15,574	-13	13	0.1
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	15,233	15,217	15,853	16	-620	-3.9
Apparel & accessory stores	6,621	6,639	6,425	-18	196	3.1
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,104	4,051	4,075	53	29	0.7
Eating & drinking places	38,621	37,263	38,308	1,358	313	0.8
Miscellaneous retail	12,385	12,288	12,417	97	-32	-0.3
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,529	3,540	3,615	-11	-86	-2.4
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,856	8,748	8,802	108	54	0.6
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	43,086	42,900	41,846	186	1,240	3.0
Banking	10,890	10,808	10,671	82	219	2.1
Insurance	20,723	20,777	20,380	-54	343	1.7
Real Estate	4,511	4,385	4,394	126	117	2.7
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,962	6,930	6,401	32	561	8.8
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	119,910	118,437	117,525	1,473	2,385	2.0
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	6,713	6,557	6,743	156	-30	-0.4
Personal services	6,416	6,399	6,417	17	-1	0.0
Business services	16,446	16,376	16,300	70	146	0.9
Automotive repair, services, & garages	3,838	3,834	3,840	4	-2	-0.1
Amusement & recreation (including motion pictures)	6,898	6,025	6,185	873	713	11.5
Health services	43,192	43,156	41,468	36	1,724	4.2
Educational services	8,835	8,847	9,484	-12	-649	-6.8
Social services	6,157	6,192	6,363	-35	-206	-3.2
Membership organizations	8,653	8,742	8,893	-89	-240	-2.7
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,762	12,309	11,832	453	930	7.9
GOVERNMENT	131,062	130,292	134,607	770	-3,545	-2.6
Federal	15,519	15,536	18,521	-17	-3,002	-16.2
State	31,480	30,689	31,999	791	-519	-1.6
Local	84,063	84,067	84,087	-4	-24	0

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised.

APRIL 1981 IN REVIEW . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 8,090 from March 1981 to April 1981. This included a gain of 815 in manufacturing and an increase of 7,275 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 815 in manufacturing included a rise of 680 in durable goods, and a gain of 135 in nondurable goods. Over three-fourths of the increase in durable goods occurred in two categories: construction material (244), and machinery, except electrical (291).

Month-to-month increases occurred in all major industry groups, including trade (2,545), construction/mining (1,830), service (1,473, government (770), transportation-communication-utilities (471) and finance-insurance-real estate (186). The increase of 2,545 in trade included a gain of 691 in wholesale trade and a rise of 1,854 in retail trade. The largest gain in retail trade was in eating and drinking places (1,358). The major increase in service occurred in amusement and recreation. The primary increase in government occurred in hourly employees in educational services.

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries was 4,833 less in April 1981 than in April 1980. This included a drop of 1,029 in manufacturing and a decrease of 3,804 in nonmanufacturing.

The drop of 1,029 in manufacturing included a decline of 1,900 in durable goods along with a rise of 871 in nondurable goods. Over four-fifths of the reduction in durable goods occurred in two categories: electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-983), and metals (-609). Gains in nondurable goods were generally scattered, with the largest increase in food processing (331).

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (2,385), and finance-insurance-real estate (1,240). The major gain in services was in health services (1,724).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in government (-3,545), trade (-2,449), construction/mining (-790), transportation-communication-utilities (-645). The decrease of 3,545 in government was led by a drop in federal employment of 3,002 - largely reflecting the termination of temporary workers hired for the 1980 census. The decrease of 2,449 in trade included a drop of 1,194 in wholesale trade and a decrease of 1,255 in retail trade. The major decline in retail trade occurred in general merchandise stores (-1,279).

OUTLOOK . . . .

Employment activity in June 1981 is projected to show a small increase in transportation-communication-utilities. Agriculture is expected to have a substantial rise in employment, following customary seasonal trends. Slight decreases are anticipated in manufacturing and trade. A minor drop in government is expected, chiefly reflecting the customary reduction in educational services at the end of the school year. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in construction-mining, finance-insurance-real estate and service.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND

APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

April 1981

	Applicants Available FY to Date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings Rec'd FY to Date 2/	Nonag Job Openings Unfilled Total	Nonag Job Openings Unfilled 30 days or more	Applicants/ Openings FY to Date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-Mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of Total
TOTAL 3/	82,483	30,946	30,252	5,173	3,860	2.73	5.98	74.6
0 - 1 Professional, technical and managerial	9,597	3,305	2,338	1,644	1,418	4.10	5.84	86.3
2 Clerical and sales	23,061	7,534	6,882	2,088	1,662	3.35	3.61	79.6
Entry codes 4/	4,303	1,379	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
20-24 Clerical	14,313	4,725	5,306	1,803	1,491	2.70	2.62	82.7
25-29 Sales	4,445	1,430	1,576	285	171	2.82	5.02	60.0
3 Service	14,820	5,373	6,195	503	246	2.39	10.68	48.9
Entry codes 4/	2,200	758	-----	-----	-----	----	-----	----
30 Domestic	842	304	1,006	43	16	.84	7.07	37.2
31-39 Other	11,778	4,311	5,189	460	230	2.27	9.37	50.0
4 Farm, forestry, fisheries	2,788	683	799	31	13	3.49	22.03	41.9
5 Processing	2,215	735	1,402	30	16	1.58	24.05	53.3
6 Machine trades	4,518	1,553	1,130	150	65	4.00	10.04	43.3
7 Bench work	4,362	1,434	1,017	101	58	4.29	14.20	57.4
8 Structural work	11,171	4,053	3,421	212	82	3.27	19.12	38.7
9 Miscellaneous	12,742	4,625	7,062	182	68	1.80	25.41	37.4
Entry codes 4/	2,216	766	-----	-----	-----	----	-----	----
90-91 Motor freight, trans.	4,670	1,757	2,479	94	31	1.88	18.69	33.0
92 Packaging, materials handling	5,422	1,949	4,332	69	27	1.25	28.25	39.1
93-97 Other 5/	434	153	251	19	10	1.73	8.05	52.6

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: October 1, 1980 through May 31, 1981. FY 1981 defined as October 1, 1980 through September 30, 1981.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES[1]

By Occupation

APRIL 1981

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,778	3,362	$ 9,519/yr	$ 9,368/yr	2,063	2,015	1,116	1,138
Professional, technical and managerial	725	690	12,745/yr	12,217/yr	579	594	396	372
Clerical and Sales	1,148	1,064	8,293/yr	8,272/yr	709	700	428	466
Service	499	531	3.71/hr	3.69/hr	249	250	110	122
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and related	110	92	4.00/hr	4.05/hr	30	27	3	7
Processing	132	122	4.79/hr	4.84/hr	22	31	12	6
Machine trades	252	192	4.76/hr	4.64/hr	131	109	52	44
Bench work	137	143	3.78/hr	4.07/hr	71	72	43	35
Structural work	405	299	4.74/hr	4.96/hr	160	143	44	58
Miscellaneous	370	229	4.72/hr	4.48/hr	112	89	28	28

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[1] Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

April 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Apr 2/ 1981	Mar 3/ 1981	Apr 3/ 1980	Apr 2/ 1981	Mar 3/ 1981	Apr 3/ 1980	Apr 2/ 1981	Mar3/ 1981	Apr 3/ 1980
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$309.66	$317.16	$288.95	39.7	40.3	40.3	$7.80	$7.87	$7.17
Durable goods	315.93	316.24	286.82	40.4	40.7	40.8	7.82	7.77	7.03
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	280.30	277.14	250.57	41.1	40.4	39.9	6.82	6.86	6.28
Primary and fabricated metals	317.87	314.69	284.49	40.7	40.5	39.9	7.81	7.77	7.13
Machinery and transportation equipment	344.81	344.86	314.75	41.0	41.4	41.8	8.41	8.33	7.53
Nondurable goods	302.25	319.20	290.60	38.9	40.0	39.7	7.77	7.98	7.32
Food and kindred products	334.00	358.94	321.55	40.0	41.4	40.6	8.35	8.67	7.92
Meat products	363.04	387.30	347.17	40.7	41.6	40.7	8.92	9.31	8.53
Dairy products	221.49	225.75	208.05	37.1	37.5	36.5	5.97	6.02	5.70
Grain mill products	350.49	421.29	404.49	38.6	45.3	46.6	9.08	9.30	8.68
Bakery products	276.31	267.71	229.84	36.5	35.6	33.8	7.57	7.52	6.80
Other food and kindred products	269.69	264.99	214.23	40.8	39.2	37.0	6.61	6.76	5.79
Printing and publishing	239.08	250.22	250.33	34.8	35.9	37.7	6.87	6.97	6.64
Chemicals and allied products	309.22	325.41	301.40	41.9	43.1	44.0	7.38	7.55	6.85

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing decreased by $7.50 from March 1981 to April 1981. This included a very slight dip of $.31 in durable goods, along with a decrease of $16.95 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $20.71, with a rise in durable goods of $29.11 and an increase of $11.65 in nondurable goods. Average weekly hours decreased 0.6 hours both month-to-month and year-to-year. Average hourly earnings dipped by $.07 from March 1981 to April 1981, but increased by $.63 from April 1980 to April 1981.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

MAR 1981

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Mar 2/ 1981	Feb 3/ 1981	Mar 3/ 1980	Mar 2/ 1981	Feb 3/ 1981	Mar 3/ 1980	Mar 2/ 1981	Feb 3/ 1981	Mar 3/ 1980	Mar 2/ 1981	Feb 3/ 1981	Mar 3/ 1980	Mar 2/ 1981	Feb 3/ 1981	Mar3/ 1980
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	40	26	29	27	19	25	31	27	35	18	13	19	5	8	8
Durable goods	47	27	29	26	16	25	30	26	34	17	11	18	6	8	8
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	76	49	41	25	27	33	40	51	38	20	17	18	16	28	15
Furniture and fixtures	5	31	38	5	14	37	20	11	13	16	8	5	4/	1	1
Primary and fabricated metals	37	30	39	26	22	35	36	43	36	16	9	17	13	18	12
Machinery and transportation equip.	52	22	20	29	12	16	24	16	31	16	9	16	2	1	7
Other durable goods	24	22	54	19	17	45	44	35	52	20	21	40	5	6	1
Nondurable goods	32	26	28	29	22	25	33	28	36	20	15	21	5	8	7
Food and kindred products	31	24	25	29	18	22	33	30	37	19	15	20	5	11	7
Meat products	37	27	25	36	22	23	31	37	36	26	20	19	4/	14	6
Dairy products	20	20	3	20	20	3	25	11	25	15	8	16	5	3	4/
Grain mill products	14	8	19	11	4	17	32	19	31	5	4	21	5	10	4/
Bakery products	25	13	37	20	9	29	26	27	28	10	10	13	1	8	7
Other food and kindred products	39	35	38	34	4	29	43	27	50	15	15	30	22	7	13
Textiles and apparel	62	52	75	59	45	66	44	39	51	41	29	43	1	7	4
Paper and allied products	21	22	23	21	18	22	51	23	17	15	14	12	32	4/	1
Printing and publishing	32	18	31	29	17	29	27	19	31	21	13	23	1	2	4/
Chemicals and allied products	29	14	29	25	14	28	16	12	20	8	3	7	3	6	8
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	27	46	19	16	38	14	46	36	54	23	17	23	7	9	23

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.
4/ Less than one-half.

NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing increased from 26 per 1,000 workers in March 1981 to 40 per 1,000 workers in April 1981. Durable goods increased from 27 per 1,000 to 47 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also increased from 26 per 1,000 to 32 per 1,000 during the same period. Year-to-year, accessions increased from 29 per 1,000 to 40 per 1,000, with durable goods gaining from 29 per 1,000 to 47 per 1,000, and nondurable goods rising from 28 per 1,000 to 32 per 1,000. Separations increased from 27 per 1,000 to 31 per 1,000 month-to-month, but year-to-year dropped from 35 per 1,000. Layoffs were down compared to both a month ago and a year ago, with 5 per 1,000 in April 1981 compared to 8 per 1,000 in March 1981 and in April 1980.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

April 1981

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)	Apr 1981	Mar 1981	Apr 1980
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	5,032	5,832	6,495
Weeks Claimed	45,545	69,871	48,414
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$ 3,714,075	$ 5,798,927	$ 3,801,591
Calendar Year to Date	$20,112,251	$16,398,176	$18,042,301
Average size of weekly payments	$ 91.67	$ 92.46	$ 92.17
First Payments	2,321	3,701	3,076
Exhaustions	1,318	1,693	1,321
Individuals who drew benefits	14,485	19,545	14,846
Rate of insured unemployment	1.9	2.5	1.8
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$ 57,387	$ 83,431	$ 58,515
Average size of weekly payments	$ 68.89	$ 71.55	$ 73.05
First payments	50	36	39
Exhaustions	33	37	20
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$ 31,515	$ 42,599	$ 30,481
Average size of weekly payments	$ 91.61	$ 91.41	$ 82.16
First payments	24	17	27
Exhaustions	2	5	1
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	37,517	37,504	38,568
Contributions received	$ 9,544,187	$ 232,359	$ 4,911,008
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$76,025,657	$70,329,329	$77,238,867

UI claims in area claims centers decreased from 5,832 in March 1981 to 5,032 in April. Weeks claimed decreased from 69,871 in March to 45,545 in April 1981.
UI benefit payments decreased from 5.8 million in March to 3.7 million in April 1981.
The number of insured unemployed stood at 14,485 in April 1981 compared to 19,545 in March 1981.
The rate of insured unemployment decreased from 2.5% in March to 1.9% in April 1981.
The year-to-date contributions stood at 16.0 million compared to 11.7 million one year ago.
The fund balance stood at 76.0 million compared to 77.2 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED [1/]

April 1981

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	6,618	66.3
Female	3,364	33.7
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	8,928	89.4
All other races	1,054	10.6
AGE:		
Under 22	1,266	12.7
22 -- 24	6,192	62.0
45 & over	2,524	25.3
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	3,422	34.3
5 -- 14	4,245	42.5
15 and over	2,315	23.2

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professtional, Technical and Managerial	2,107	21.1
Clerical and sales	1,511	15.1
Service	726	7.3
Farm and related	125	1.3
Processing	453	4.5
Machine trades	479	4.8
Bench Work	467	4.7
Structural Work	2,770	27.8
Miscellaneous	1,344	13.4
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	2,427	24.3
Manufacturing	2,462	211.7
Durable goods	1,155	11.6
Nondurable goods	1,307	13.1
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	516	5.2
Trade (Wholesale and Retail)	1,916	19.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	258	2.6
Services	1,274	12.8
Government	271	2.7
Other	858	8.5

[1/] Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for April 1981 was 9,982.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX APRIL 1981

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	266.8	0.6	10.0	266.8	0.6	10.0
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	265.7	0.3	9.4	266.1	0.2	9.4
Food	272.9	0.3	9.6	273.2	0.2	9.5
Food at home	268.7	0	9.5	268.2	0	9.5
Cereals & bakery products	268.3	0.6	10.9	268.0	0.6	10.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	247.7	-1.1	5.4	247.1	-1.1	5.5
Dairy products	243.5	0.4	9.5	243.8	0.5	9.3
Fruits and vegetables	281.9	1.3	17.0	280.0	1.8	16.8
Other foods at home	324.7	0.2	10.0	325.4	0.1	10.5
Food away from home	288.2	0.7	9.6	290.7	0.7	9.6
Alcoholic beverages	197.8	0.4	7.6	199.4	0.4	7.8
HOUSING	284.8	0.8	10.4	284.3	0.7	10.3
Shelter	303.8	0.7	10.1	304.6	0.7	9.9
Rent (residential)	204.2	0.6	9.2	203.9	0.6	9.1
Other rental costs	285.9	0.8	9.7	285.8	0.8	9.7
Homeownership	339.3	0.7	10.3	341.1	0.7	10.0
Fuel and other utilities	310.5	0.7	14.8	311.4	0.6	14.9
Fuels	396.5	0.7	17.4	396.2	0.7	17.4
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	690.6	-0.4	24.1	693.7	-0.4	24.5
Gas (piped) & electricity	330.6	1.2	14.8	329.6	1.1	14.6
Household furnishings & operation	219.2	1.1	8.0	215.9	1.0	7.6
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	186.4	0.7	5.1	186.0	0.9	5.6
Men's & boys' apparel	175.6	0.3	5.2	176.1	0.7	5.3
Women's & girls' apparel	158.8	0.8	1.9	160.7	1.1	3.9
Footwear	199.3	1.0	5.8	198.4	1.3	5.5
TRANSPORTATION	275.3	0.7	11.5	276.3	0.7	11.5
Private transportation	273.4	0.6	10.7	275.1	0.7	10.9
Public transportation	297.2	1.1	26.0	287.7	0.9	25.3
MEDICAL CARE	287.0	0.8	9.5	289.1	0.7	9.9
Medical care services	309.8	0.7	9.3	312.2	0.6	9.7
ENTERTAINMENT	219.2	0.5	8.2	217.0	0.4	7.8
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	229.9	0.5	9.6	227.9	0.5	8.9
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	310.2			310.3		

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QUESTION: Where do we get the employment data contained in this publication?

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JOB SERVICE OF NEBRASKA

NEBRASKA Work Trends

May 1981

Table 1. Workers in the health services industry by segment, May 1970 to May 1979

[Numbers in thousands]

Year	Total employed	Health services industry: Total	Hospitals	Convalescent institutions	Physicians' offices	Dentists' offices	Other[1]
1970	78,358	4,323	2,727	N A	N A	N A	1,596[2]
1971	78,708	4,605	2,878	590	486	234	418
1972	81,224	4,850	2,914	651	557	255	473
1973	83,758	5,235	3,114	760	594	268	499
1974	85,786	5,470	3,190	809	605	292	575
1975	84,146	5,741	3,392	864	570	345	670
1976	87,278	6,140	3,568	933	657	332	650
1977	90,482	6,267	3,507	975	685	323	777
1978	93,904	6,522	3,661	924	815	353	769
1979	96,327	6,699	3,753	1,012	779	351	804
Percent increase, 1970-79	22.9	54.9	37.6	71.5[3]	60.3[3]	50.0[3]	92.3[3]

[1] Includes persons employed in nonhospital clinics, medical and dental laboratories, nonphysician practitioners' offices and other health services not elsewhere classified.

[2] Represents the sum of persons at work in convalescent institutions, physicians' and dentists' offices, and in other health services not elsewhere classified.

[3] Increase for 1971-79.

NOTE: Because of rounding, sums of individual items may not equal totals.

N A Not available separately.

Table 2. Workers in the health services industry, by selected occupations, May 1971 and May 1979

[Numbers in thousands]

Occupation	1971: Total health services	1971: Hospital	1971: Medical except hospital	1979: Total health services	1979: Hospital	1979: Medical except hospital
Total[1]	4,605	2,878	1,728	6,699	3,753	2,946
Managerial, professional, and technical workers, total	1,586	929	657	2,445	1,433	1,012
Health administrators	128	70	58	148	76	72
Physicians	290	99	191	419	135	284
Dentists	108	-	108	133	4	129
Registered nurses	662	491	171	1,063	794	269
Therapists	83	49	34	184	100	84
Technologists and technicians	293	199	94	446	293	153
Dieticians	28	21	7	52	31	21
Service and clerical workers, total	2,238	1,506	732	3,051	1,716	1,335
Licensed practical nurses	279	210	69	333	230	103
Nurses' aides	770	533	237	940	483	457
Food, laundry, and housekeeping	597	434	163	680	428	251
Clerical	592	329	263	1,099	575	524

[1] Total includes other occupations not shown in table.

Source of data: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, as presented in Monthly Labor Review, May 1981.

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	May 1981	Apr 1981	May 1980	Apr 1981	May 1980
NEBRASKA					
Civilian Labor Force	803,350	792,250	807,200	11,100	- 3,850
Employment	774,550	762,550	777,850	12,000	- 3,300
Unemployment	28,800	29,700	29,350	- 900	- 550
Unemployment Rate [2]	3.6	3.7	3.6	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA [3]					
Civilian Labor Force	285,350	283,500	289,000	1,850	- 3,650
Employment	273,050	270,500	275,350	2,550	- 2,300
Unemployment	12,300	13,000	13,650	- 700	- 1,350
Unemployment Rate [2]	4.3	4.6	4.7	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA [4]					
Civilian Labor Force	113,550	112,250	114,050	1,300	- 500
Employment	109,900	108,650	109,850	1,250	50
Unemployment	3,650	3,600	4,200	50	- 550
Unemployment Rate [2]	3.2	3.2	3.7	xxx	xxx

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[1] Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

[2] Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

[3] Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 243,700 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, 41,650 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

[4] Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment decreased by 900 from April 1981 to May 1981, reaching a new total of 28,800. The May 1981 total was 550 less than in May 1980. The unemployment moved downward from 3.7 percent in April 1981 to 3.6 percent in May 1981, and compared to 3.6 percent in May 1980.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA dropped by 700 from April 1981 to May 1981, and also decreased by 1,350 from May 1980. The unemployment rate was reduced from 4.6 percent in April 1981 to 4.3 percent in May 1981, and compared to 4.7 percent in May 1980.

The number of unemployed in the Lincoln SMSA increased by 50 from April 1981 to May 1981, and decreased by 550 from May 1980. The unemployment rate remained the same in May 1981 (3.2 percent) that it had been in April 1981, and compared to 3.7 percent in May 1980.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 7,350 from May 1981 to June 1981, reaching a new total of 810,700. The unemployment segment is projected at 31,800, while the employment segment is projected at 778,900.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	May 1981	Apr 1981	May 1980	Change From Apr 1981	Change From May 1980	Percent Change From May 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	636,665	628,928	638,325	7,737	-1,660	-0.3
MANUFACTURING	96,166	95,509	95,168	657	998	1.0
Durable goods	49,716	49,334	49,942	382	-226	-0.5
Construction material	4,911	4,877	4,835	34	76	1.6
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,282	2,288	2,025	-6	257	12.7
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,629	2,589	2,810	40	-181	-6.4
Furniture & fixtures	1,661	1,658	1,737	3	-76	-4.4
Metals	8,939	8,930	9,294	9	-355	-3.8
Primary metal industries	1,877	1,874	1,961	3	-84	-4.3
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equip.	7,062	7,056	7,333	6	-271	-3.7
Machinery except electrical	13,879	13,552	12,911	327	968	7.5
Farm machinery & equipment	7,806	7,772	7,484	34	322	4.3
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,812	9,767	10,417	45	-605	-5.8
Transportation equipment	5,109	5,086	5,266	23	-157	-3.0
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,452	2,400	2,858	52	-406	-14.2
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,405	5,464	5,482	-59	-77	-1.4
Nondurable goods	46,450	46,175	45,226	275	1,224	2.7
Food & kindred products	26,538	26,384	26,405	154	133	0.5
Meat products	13,243	13,612	13,066	-369	177	1.4
Dairy products	1,916	1,892	1,828	24	88	4.8
Grain mill	4,508	4,195	4,756	313	-248	-5.2
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	6,871	6,685	6,755	186	116	1.7
Textile products & apparel	2,585	2,502	2,432	83	153	6.3
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,719	7,666	7,618	53	101	1.3
Chemicals & allied products	2,647	2,640	2,565	7	82	3.2
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,961	6,983	6,206	-22	755	12.2
NONMANUFACTURING	540,499	533,419	543,157	7,080	-2,653	-0.5
MINING	1,642	1,578	1,739	64	-97	-5.6
CONSTRUCTION	28,066	27,320	29,724	746	-1,658	-5.6
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	8,224	7,908	8,165	316	59	0.7
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	5,587	5,281	7,172	306	-1,585	-22.1
Construction - special trade contractors	14,255	14,131	14,387	124	-132	-0.9
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	47,629	46,997	47,816	632	-187	-0.4
Railroad transportation	16,558	16,076	16,874	482	-316	-1.9
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,385	14,373	14,222	12	163	1.1
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,686	16,548	16,720	138	-34	-0.2

TRADE	165,386	163,237	166,461	2,149	-1,075	-0.6
Wholesale	49,566	49,348	50,471	218	-905	-1.8
Durable	25,276	25,062	25,448	214	-172	-0.7
Nondurable	24,290	24,286	25,023	4	-733	-2.9
Retail	115,820	113,889	115,990	1,931	-170	-.1
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	7,019	6,828	6,946	191	73	1.1
General merchandise stores	14,759	14,516	16,115	243	-1,356	-8.4
Food stores	15,651	15,587	15,619	64	32	0.2
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	15,280	15,123	15,853	157	-573	-3.6
Apparel & accessory stores	6,686	6,660	6,275	26	411	6.5
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,097	4,114	4,067	-17	30	0.7
Eating & drinking places	39,753	38,708	38,692	1,045	1,061	2.7
Miscellaneous retail	12,575	12,353	12,423	222	152	1.2
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,528	3,544	3,563	-16	-35	-1.0
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	9,047	8,809	8,860	238	187	2.1
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	43,301	43,160	42,259	141	1,042	2.5
Banking	10,948	10,883	10,703	65	245	2.3
Insurance	20,842	20,789	20,561	53	281	1.4
Real Estate	4,603	4,510	4,638	93	-35	-0.8
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,908	6,978	6,357	-70	551	8.7
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	121,840	119,912	119,513	1,928	2,327	1.9
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	7,038	6,748	7,164	290	-126	-1.8
Personal services	6,076	6,382	6,409	-306	-333	-5.2
Business services	16,727	16,380	16,067	347	660	4.1
Automotive repair, services, & garages	3,839	3,824	3,797	15	42	1.1
Amusement & recreation (including motion pictures)	7,466	6,855	6,391	611	1,075	16.8
Health services	43,516	43,225	41,738	291	1,778	4.3
Educational services	8,651	8,929	9,376	-278	-725	-7.7
Social services	6,079	6,162	6,368	-83	-289	-4.5
Membership organizations	9,481	8,714	9,860	767	-379	-3.8
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,967	12,693	12,343	274	624	5.1
GOVERNMENT	132,635	131,215	135,645	1,420	-3,010	-2.2
Federal	15,922	15,535	17,376	387	-1,454	-8.4
State	32,646	31,480	33,305	1,166	-659	-2.0
Local	84,067	84,200	84,964	-133	-897	-1.1

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

2/ Preliminary estimates.

3/ Revised.

MAY 1981 IN REVIEW . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 7,737 from April 1981 to May 1981. This included an increase of 657 in manufacturing and a gain of 7,280 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 657 in manufacturing included a gain of 382 in durable goods and an increase of 275 in nondurable goods. The major increase in durable goods occurred in machinery except electrical (327). The majority of the gain in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (154).

Month-to-month increases occurred in all major industry groups, including trade (2,149), services (1,928), government (1,420), construction/mining (810), transportation-communication-utilities (632), and finance-insurance-real estate (141). The increase of 2,149 in trade included a rise of 218 in wholesale trade along with an increase of 1,931 in retail trade. The largest increase in retail trade occurred in eating and drinking places (1,045). Over seven-tenths of the increase in services occurred in two categories: membership services (767) and amusement and recreation (611). Most of the increase in government occurred in customary seasonal fluctuations in hourly workers in educational services.

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries dropped by 1,660 from May 1980 to May 1981. This included a decline of 2,453 in nonmanufacturing which considerably more than counter-balanced a gain of 998 in manufacturing.

The year-to-year increase of 998 in manufacturing included a drop of 226 in durable goods more than offset by a rise of 1,224 in nondurable goods. The major increase in nondurable goods occurred in other nondurable goods (including paper and allied products, petroleum refining and related, rubber and miscellaneous plastics, and leather and leather products).

Year-to-year increases also occurred in services (2,327) and finance-insurance-real estate (1,042). The chief gainer in services was health services (1,778).

Year-to-year losses were registered for government (-3,010), construction/mining (-1,755), trade (-1,075), and transportation-communication-real estate (-187). The reduction of 3,010 in government occurred in all categories: federal, state and local. The decline of 1,075 in trade included a drop of 905 in wholesale trade and a dip of 170 in retail trade.

OUTLOOK . . . .

Employment activity in July 1981 is projected to show a slight increase in transportation-communication-utilities. A substantial rise is anticipated in agriculture, reflecting customary seasonal trends. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in construction/mining, manufacturing, trade, finance-insurance-real estate, and service. Government is expected to have a customary seasonal drop, primarily in educational services.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND

APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

May 1981

		Applicants Available FY to Date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings			Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-Mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of Total
				Rec'd FY to Date 2/	Unfilled				
					Total	30 days or more			
	TOTAL 3/	97,387	32,059	34,383	4,657	3,680	3.83	6.88	79.0
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	10,374	3,350	2,632	1,565	1,393	3.94	2.14	89.0
2	Clerical and sales	25,181	7,798	7,815	1,938	1,555	3.22	4.02	80.2
	Entry codes 4/	4.805	1,538	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	15.533	4,779	6,016	1,699	1,399	2.58	2.81	82.3
	25-29 Sales	4,843	1,481	1,799	239	156	2.69	6.20	65.3
3.	Service	16,153	5,640	7,142	421	219	2.26	13.40	52.0
	Entry codes 4/	2,456	828	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	----
	30 Domestic	932	356	1,186	44	23	0.79	8.09	52.3
	31-39 Other	12,765	4,456	5,956	377	196	2.14	11.82	52.0
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	3,288	830	910	21	14	3.61	39.52	66.7
5	Processing	2,360	671	1,559	21	5	1.51	31.95	23.8
6.	Machine trades	4,863	1,568	1,267	103	73	3.84	15.22	70.9
7.	Bench work	4,622	1,371	1,146	84	45	4.03	16.32	53.6
8	Structural work	12,220	4,222	3,828	138	86	3.19	30.59	62.3
9	Miscellaneous	13,645	4,718	8,077	133	58	1.69	35.47	43.6
	Entry codes 4/	2,357	778	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	----
	90-91 Motor freight, transportation	4,977	1,750	2,855	61	22	1.74	28.69	36.1
	92 Packaging, materials handling	5,855	2,043	4,943	54	29	1.18	37.83	53.7
	93-97 Other 5/	456	147	279	18	7	1.63	8.17	38.9

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: 10-1-80 through May-31-81. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-78 through 9-30-79.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, lodging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

BY OCCUPATION

May 1981

	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,164	3,778	$ 9,780/yr	$ 9,519/yr	1,480	2,063	763	1,116
Professional, Technical and Managerial	692	725	12,735/yr	12,745/yr	502	579	352	396
Clerical and Sales	910	1,148	8,331/yr	8,293/yr	451	709	172	428
Service	446	499	3.72/hr	3.71/hr	161	249	64	110
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and Related	84	110	4.17/hr	4.00/hr	23	30	12	3
Processing	121	132	4.95/hr	4.79/hr	14	22	1	12
Machine Trades	176	252	5.26/hr	4.76/hr	84	131	57	52
Bench Work	122	137	3.93/hr	3.78/hr	65	71	29	43
Structural Work	300	405	4.89/hr	4.74/hr	100	160	52	44
Miscellaneous	313	370	4.67/hr	4.72/hr	80	112	24	28

1/ Source of Data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service Offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

May 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May 1981 2/	Apr 1981 3/	May 1980 3/	May 1981 2/	Apr 1981 3/	May 1980 3/	May 1981 2/	Apr 1981 3/	Apr 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$317.97	$312.43	$287.56	40.3	39.8	39.5	$7.89	$7.85	$7.28
Durable goods	319.09	315.90	280.45	40.7	40.5	39.5	7.84	7.80	7.10
Lumber, stone, clay glass products	288.39	290.97	258.00	42.1	41.9	40.0	6.85	6.94	6.45
Primary and fabricated metals	320.74	313.96	280.32	40.6	40.2	38.4	7.90	7.81	7.30
Machinery and transportation equipment	344.83	343.17	303.96	41.1	41.0	40.1	8.39	8.37	7.58
Nondurable goods	317.21	309.28	295.86	39.9	39.1	39.5	7.95	7.91	7.49
Food and kindred products	354.80	345.02	328.45	41.4	40.4	40.7	8.57	8.54	8.07
Meet products	377.92	377.06	358.03	40.9	40.5	41.2	9.24	9.31	8.69
Dairy products	231.51	223.28	210.82	37.4	37.4	36.6	6.19	5.97	5.76
Grain mill products	422.20	369.00	402.28	45.3	41.0	45.2	9.32	9.00	8.90
Bakery products	296.66	278.38	236.95	37.6	36.2	35.0	7.89	7.69	6.77
Other food and kindred products	266.62	270.17	217.62	41.4	41.5	37.2	6.44	6.51	5.85
Printing and publishing	245.70	242.54	245.82	35.2	35.1	36.8	6.98	6.91	6.68
Chemicals and allied products	307.27	314.16	294.69	41.3	42.0	43.4	7.44	7.48	6.79

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $5.54 from April 1981 to May 1981 This included a rise of $3.19 in durable goods and a gain of $7.93 in nondurable goods. From May 1980 to May 1981, average weekly earnings increased by $30.41, with durable goods gaining by $38.64 and nondurable goods increasing $21.35. Average weekly hours increased 0.5 hours month-to-month and 0.8 hours year-to-year. From April 1981 to May 1981, average hourly earnings dropped $.04, but showed a gain of $.61 from May 1980 to May 1981.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

APR 1981

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Apr 1981 2/	Mar 1981 3/	Apr 1980 3/	Apr 1981 2/	Mar 1981 3/	Apr 1980 3/	Apr 1981 2/	Mar 1981 3/	Apr 1980 3/	Apr 1981 2/	Mar 1981 3/	Apr 1980 3/	Apr 1981 2/	Mar 1981 3/	Apr 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	33	39	26	26	27	22	31	32	44	19	18	20	4	6	16
Durable goods	30	47	23	22	26	18	27	30	44	17	17	20	3	6	16
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	62	76	53	41	25	38	29	40	57	21	20	30	4/	16	16
Furniture and fixtures	10	5	10	9	5	10	26	20	37	23	16	22	4/	4/	2
Primary and fabricated metals	39	37	25	26	26	15	31	36	36	15	16	16	8	13	14
Machinery and transportation equip.	26	51	16	20	29	14	25	24	45	17	16	18	2	2	19
Other durable goods	19	24	37	16	19	30	31	44	47	18	20	26	2	5	8
Nondurable goods	36	31	30	30	28	26	37	35	43	22	20	21	6	7	16
Food and kindred products	33	29	31	29	27	26	36	36	41	22	18	21	6	8	13
Meat products	37	37	30	34	36	27	41	31	47	27	26	24	7	4/	15
Dairy products	14	20	22	14	20	22	18	25	14	7	15	5	4/	5	5
Grain mill products	20	14	21	15	11	14	32	32	23	12	5	17	6	5	2
Bakery products	26	25	35	21	20	31	34	26	31	24	10	21	4/	1	2
Other food and kindred products	44	26	46	39	22	36	34	63	58	23	12	26	5	44	27
Textiles and apparel	80	62	54	71	59	51	90	44	49	60	41	33	23	1	12
Paper and allied products	42	21	14	21	21	13	18	51	24	16	15	15	4/	32	4
Printing and publishing	19	32	31	11	29	30	21	27	40	6	21	26	5	1	8
Chemicals and allied products	19	29	24	11	25	24	21	16	16	6	8	7	5	3	5
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather.	56	27	22	54	16	13	47	46	77	33	23	11	1	7	57

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program. NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary

3/ Revised.

Accession rates in Nebraska manufacturing dropped from 39 per 1,000 workers in March 1981 to 33 per 1,000 in April 1981. During that period, durable goods declined from 47 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000, and nondurable goods gained from 31 per 1,000 to 36 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accession rates increased from 26 per 1,000 to 33 per 1,000, with durable goods increasing from 23 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000, and nondurable goods increasing from 30 per 1,000 to 36 per 1,000. Separation rates dipped month-to-month from 32 per 1,000 to 31 per 1,000, and compared to 44 per 1,000 a year ago. Layoffs dropped from 6 per 1,000 in March 1981 to 4 per 1,000 in April 1981, and compared to 16 per 1,000 in April 1980.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

MAY 1981

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)	May 1981	Apr 1981	May 1980
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	5,177	5,032	7,839
Weeks Claimed	37,336	45,545	39,600
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI Funds	$ 2,895,019	$ 3,714,075	$ 3,047,219
Calendar Year to Date	$23,007,270	$20,112,251	$21,089,520
Average size of Weekly Payments	$ 92.71	$ 91.67	$ 91.24
First payments	2,108	2,321	3,370
Exhaustions	1,064	1,318	1,038
Individuals who drew Benefits	11,816	14,485	12,637
Rate of Insured Unemployment	1.6	1.9	1.6
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE Funds	$ 61,087	$ 57,387	$ 51,555
Average size of Weekly Payments	$ 73.96	$ 68.89	$ 73.13
First Payments	62	50	49
Exhaustions	12	33	26
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX Funds	$ 28,038	$ 31,515	$ 31,429
Average size of Weekly Payments	$ 90.45	$ 91.61	$ 90.31
First Payments	12	24	31
Exhaustions	3	2	2
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	37,687	37,517	38,534
Contributions received	$12,209,615	$ 9,544,187	$ 9,687,618
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month Fund Balance	85,863,538	$76,025,657	$84,241,478

UI initial claims in area claims centers increased from 5,032 in April to 5,177 in May 1981. Weeks claimed decreased from 45,545 in April to 37,336 in May 1981.

UI benefit payments decreased from 3.7 million in April to 2.9 million in May 1981. The number of insured unemployed stood at 11,816 in May compared to 14,485 in April 1981. The rate of insured unemployment decreased from 1.9% in April to 1.6% in May 1981.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 28.2 million compared to 21.4 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 85.9 million compared to 84.2 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED[1]

May 1981

SEX	Amount	Percent of Total
Male	5,419	63.5
Female	3,116	36.5
RACE/ETHNIC		
White	7,547	88.4
All Other Races	988	11.6
AGE		
Under 22	1,052	12.3
22 - 44	6,515	76.3
45 and Over	968	11.4
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED		
4 or Less	3,347	39.2
5 - 14	3,273	38.3
15 and Over	1,915	22.5

OCCUPATION	Amount	Percent of Total
Professional, Technical and Managerial	1,951	22.9
Clerical and Sales	1,394	16.3
Service	677	7.9
Farm and Related	66	0.8
Processing	404	4.7
Machine Trades	416	4.9
Bench Work	336	3.9
Structural Work	2,231	26.2
Miscellaneous	1,060	12.4
INDUSTRY		
Construction and Mining	1,887	22.1
Manufacturing	2,024	23.7
Durable Goods	894	10.5
Nondurable Goods	1,130	13.2
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	432	5.1
Trade (Wholesale and Retail	1,748	20.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	258	3.0
Services	1,283	15.0
Government	245	2.9
Other	658	7.7

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[1] Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for May 1981 was 8,535.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MAY 1981

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	269.0	0.8	9.8	269.1	0.9	9.8
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	265.4	-0.1	8.7	265.9	-0.1	8.7
Food	272.5	-0.1	9.8	272.9	-0.1	8.7
Food at home	267.7	-0.4	8.6	267.2	-0.4	8.6
Cereals & bakery products	270.0	0.6	10.4	269.0	0.5	10.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	247.0	-0.3	6.7	246.3	-0.3	6.8
Dairy products	243.8	0.1	7.8	243.9	0	7.5
Fruits and vegetables	276.8	-1.8	12.2	274.3	-2.0	11.7
Other foods at home	323.7	-0.3	8.6	324.8	-0.2	9.0
Food away from home	289.3	0.4	9.3	291.9	0.4	9.1
Alcoholic beverages	199.1	0.7	7.4	201.2	0.9	7.7
HOUSING	288.5	1.3	10.2	288.1	1.3	10.1
Shelter	308.4	1.5	10.1	309.4	1.6	9.9
Rent (residential)	205.9	0.8	9.0	205.5	0.8	8.9
Other rental costs	286.4	0.2	9.4	286.1	0.1	9.3
Homeownership	345.0	1.7	10.3	347.1	1.8	10.1
Fuel and other utilities	314.9	1.4	14.1	315.7	1.4	14.2
Fuels	403.3	1.7	16.4	402.5	1.6	16.3
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	685.8	-0.7	23.3	688.6	-0.7	23.6
Gas (piped) & electricity	339.6	2.7	13.9	338.1	2.6	13.6
Household furnishings & operation	220.1	0.4	7.8	216.8	0.4	7.4
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	186.4	0	5.0	186.2	0.1	5.3
Men's & boys' apparel	176.8	0.7	5.2	177.3	0.7	5.0
Women's & girls' apparel	157.2	-1.0	2.0	160.0	-0.4	3.8
Footwear	201.0	0.9	6.2	200.0	0.8	5.7
TRANSPORTATION	277.8	0.9	11.6	278.9	0.9	11.6
Private transportation	276.0	1.0	10.8	277.7	0.9	11.0
Public transportation	297.7	0.2	24.3	288.2	0.2	23.7
MEDICAL CARE	289.0	0.7	9.7	290.8	0.6	9.8
Medical care services	311.7	0.6	9.5	313.6	0.4	9.5
ENTERTAINMENT	220.3	0.5	8.0	217.7	0.3	7.6
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	232.2	1.0	9.9	230.4	1.1	9.4
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	312.9			312.9		

QUESTION: Where do we get the employment data contained in this publication?

ANSWER: From YOU - the employer!

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NEBRASKA

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary June 1981	Revised		Change From:	
		May 1981	Jun 1980	May 1981	Jun 1980
Civilian Labor Force	819,450	802,750	816,450	16,700	3,000
Employment	786,900	773,950	783,100	12,950	3,800
Nonagricultural	695,300	689,850	692,250	5,450	3,050
Agricultural	91,600	84,100	90,850	7,500	750
Unemployment	32,550	28,800	33,350	3,750	- 800
Unemployment Rate [2]	4.0	3.6	4.1	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of Unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Nebraska civilian labor force increased by 16,700 from May 1981 to June 1981, and also gained by 3,000 from June 1980 to June 1981. Total employment increased by 12,950 month-to-month, and also rose by 3,800 year-to-year. Nonagricultural employment increased by 5,450 from May 1981 to June 1981, and also showed a gain of 3,050 from June 1980 to June 1981. Agricultural employment increased by 7,500 month-to-month, and also gained by 750 year-to-year.

Unemployment in Nebraska increased by 3,750 from May 1981 to June 1981, reaching a new total of 32,550. Unemployment dropped by 800 from June 1980 to June 1981. The unemployment rate increased from 3.6 percent in May 1981 to 4.0 percent in June 1981, and compared to 4.1 percent in June 1980.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to drop by 10,100 from June 1981 to July 1981, reaching a new total of 819,450. The unemployment segment is projected at 30,000. The employment segment is projected at 779,350.

Labor force changes from June 1981 to July 1981 primarily reflect customary seasonal trends.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	June 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	June 1980 3/	Change From: May 1981	Change From: June 1980	Percent Change From: June 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	640,472	636,059	635,130	4,413	5,342	0.8
MANUFACTURING	96,655	96,420	94,683	235	1,972	2.1
Durable goods	49,601	49,723	48,863	- 122	738	1.5
Construction material	4,974	4,939	4,773	35	201	4.2
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,295	2,311	1,932	- 16	363	18.8
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,679	2,628	2,841	51	- 162	- 5.7
Furniture & fixtures	1,635	1,641	1,741	- 6	- 106	- 6.1
Metals	9,072	9,050	9,265	22	- 193	- 2.1
Primary metal industries	1,906	1,882	1,968	24	- 62	- 3.2
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & trans. equipment	7,166	7,168	7,297	- 2	- 131	- 1.8
Machinery except electrical	13,866	13,801	12,522	64	1,344	10.7
Farm machinery & equipment	7,578	7,709	7,242	- 131	336	4.6
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,525	9,776	10,010	- 251	- 485	- 4.8
Transportation equipment	5,089	5,109	5,138	- 20	- 49	- 1.0
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,497	2,452	2,657	45	- 160	- 6.0
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,440	5,407	5,414	33	26	0.5
Nondurable goods	47,054	46,697	45,820	357	1,234	2.7
Food & kindred products	27,055	26,784	27,186	271	- 131	- 0.5
Meat products	13,778	13,439	13,314	339	464	3.5
Dairy products	1,847	1,926	1,868	- 79	- 21	- 1.1
Grain mill	4,749	4,554	4,998	195	- 249	- 5.0
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	6,681	6,865	7,006	- 184	- 325	- 4.6
Textile products & apparel	2,671	2,585	2,422	86	249	10.3
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,721	7,727	7,617	- 6	104	1.4
Chemicals & allied products	2,260	2,644	2,614	- 384	- 354	-13.5
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,947	6,957	5,981	- 10	966	16.2
NONMANUFACTURING	543,817	539,639	540,447	4,178	3,370	0.6
MINING	1,717	1,647	1,760	70	- 43	- 2.4
CONSTRUCTION	27,671	27,307	29,937	364	-2,266	- 7.6
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	7,888	7,815	8,322	73	- 434	- 5.2
Construction other than building construction - gen. contractors	5,819	5,648	7,257	171	-1,438	-19.8
Construction - special trade contractors	13,964	13,844	14,358	120	- 394	- 2.7
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	47,921	47,432	47,364	489	557	1.2
Railroad transportation	16,720	16,312	16,213	408	507	3.1
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,572	14,575	14,377	- 3	195	1.4
Communication & electric, gas & sanitary services	16,629	16,505	16,774	124	- 145	- 0.9

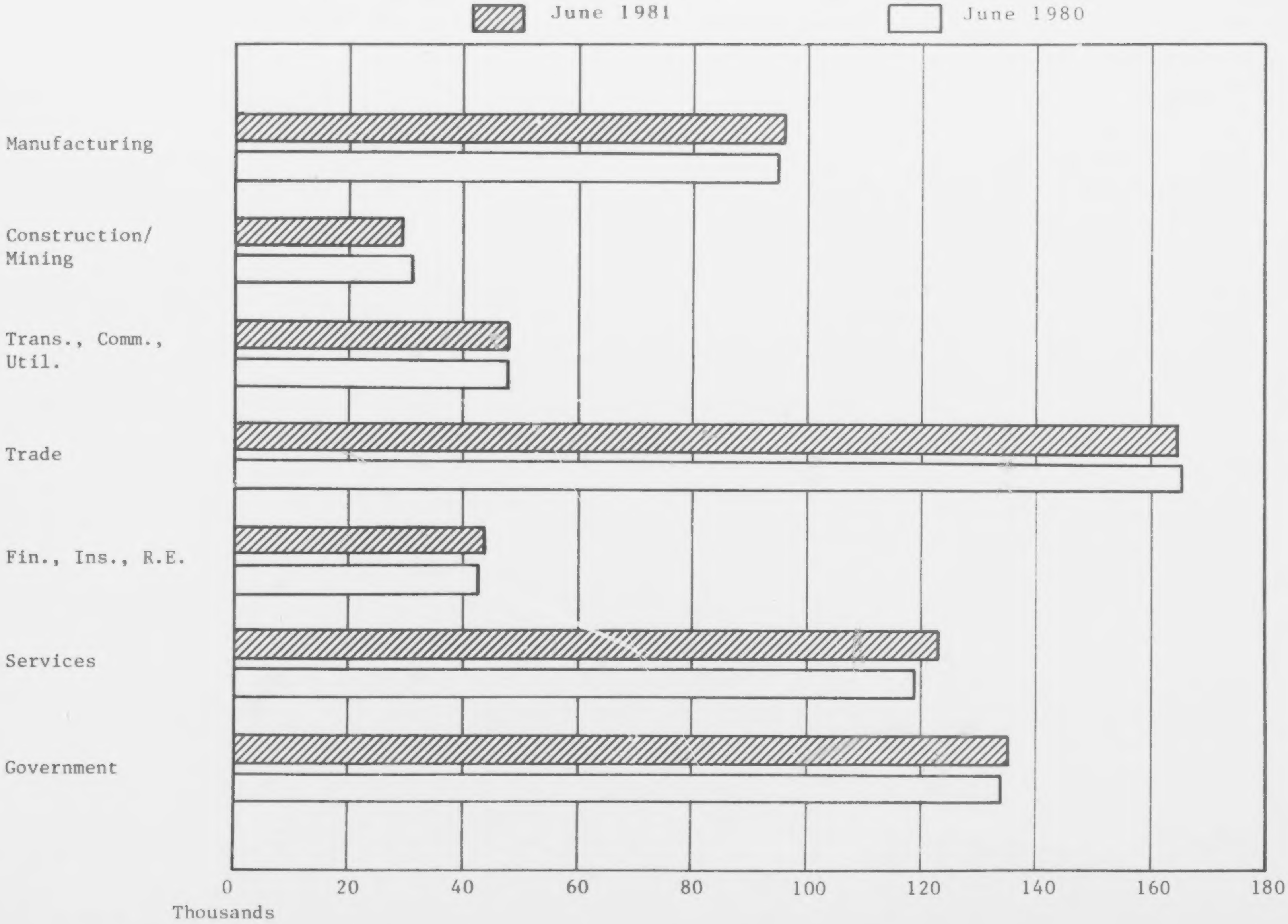
TRADE	164,896	165,139	165,561	- 243	- 665	- 0.4
Wholesale	49,847	49,457	50,307	390	- 460	- 0.9
Durable goods	25,172	25,051	24,999	121	173	0.7
Nondurable goods	24,675	24,406	25,308	269	- 633	- 2.5
Retail	115,049	115,682	115,254	- 633	- 205	- 0.2
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	6,810	6,907	7,146	- 97	- 336	- 4.7
General merchandise stores	14,792	14,982	15,716	- 190	- 924	- 5.9
Food stores	15,591	15,712	15,457	- 121	134	0.9
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	15,396	15,360	15,821	36	- 425	- 2.7
Apparel & accessory stores	6,401	6,641	6,188	- 240	213	3.4
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,214	4,109	4,044	105	170	4.2
Eating & drinking places	39,538	39,521	38,765	17	773	2.0
Miscellaneous retail	12,307	12,450	12,117	- 143	190	1.6
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,516	3,523	3,551	- 7	- 35	- 1.0
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,781	8,927	8,566	- 146	215	2.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	43,829	43,419	42,718	510	1,111	2.6
Banking	11,060	10,940	10,803	120	257	2.4
Insurance	21,060	20,865	20,742	195	318	1.5
Real estate	4,690	4,601	4,683	89	7	0.1
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	7,019	6,913	6,490	106	529	8.2
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	122,623	122,057	118,939	566	3,684	3.1
Hotels, rooming houses, camps & other lodging places	7,201	7,019	7,162	182	39	0.5
Personal services	6,161	6,161	6,381	0	- 220	- 3.4
Business services	17,176	17,118	16,083	58	1,093	6.8
Automotive repair, services, & garages	3,846	3,824	3,821	22	25	0.7
Amusement & recreation	7,980	7,434	6,867	546	1,113	16.2
Health services	44,034	43,516	42,185	518	1,849	4.4
Educational services	7,532	8,558	7,778	-1,026	- 246	- 3.2
Social services	5,998	6,134	6,210	- 136	- 212	- 3.4
Membership services	9,246	9,346	9,790	- 100	- 544	- 5.6
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	13,449	12,947	12,662	502	787	6.2
GOVERNMENT	135,160	132,738	134,168	2,422	992	0.7
Federal	15,719	15,634	17,071	85	-1,352	- 7.9
State	34,303	32,646	35,184	1,657	- 881	- 2.5
Local	85,138	84,458	81,913	680	3,225	3.9

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are compapable.

2/ Preliminary estimates.

3/ Revised.

NEBRASKA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



NEBRASKA - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

June 1981 in review. . . . .

The Nebraska nonagricultural work force increased by 4,413 from May 1981 to June 1981. This included a small gain of 235 in manufacturing, and a substantial rise of 4,178 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 235 in manufacturing included a slight drop of 122 in durable goods that was more than offset by a gain of 357 in nondurable goods. The major decline in durable goods was in electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-251). The chief gainer in nondurable goods was food and kindred products (271).

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (2,422), service (566), transportation-communication-utilities (489) and construction/mining (437). The largest increase in government was in state government (1,657), reflecting customary seasonal changes in outdoor employment and in educational services (summer session related). The major increases in services were in amusement and recreation (546) and in health services (518).

From May 1981 to June 1981, work force declines occurred only in trade (-243). Wholesale trade gained by 390, but retail trade more than counterbalanced that with a drop of 633. Over two-thirds of the work force reduction in retail trade occurred in two categories: general merchandise stores (-190), and apparel and accessory stores (-240).

Annual Changes. . . . .

The Nebraska nonagricultural work force increased by 5,342 from June 1980 to June 1981. This included a gain of 1,972 in manufacturing and a rise of 3,370 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 1,972 in manufacturing included a gain of 738 in durable goods and an increase of 1,234 in nondurable goods. The largest increase in durable goods was in machinery except electrical (1,344), and the major increase in nondurable goods was in other durable goods (966 and includes paper and allied products, petroleum refining and related, rubber and miscellaneous plastics, and leather and leather products.)

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (3,684), finance-insurance-real estate (1,111), government (992), and transportation-communication-utilities (557). Over four-fifths of the increase in service occurred in two categories: health services (1,849) and amusement and recreation (1,113). The predominant increase in government occurred in local government (3,225).

Annual Changes (Con't). . . . .

From June 1980 to June 1981, losses occurred in construction/mining (-2,309), and trade (-665). The drop in trade included a decline of 462 in wholesale trade and a dip of 205 in retail trade.

Outlook. . . . .

The work force outlook for August 1981 is projected as showing slight decreases in manufacturing, finance-insurance-real estate, and government. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in construction/mining, transportation-communication-utilities, trade, and services.

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES 1/

June 1981 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment 1/ Rate
Adams	16,564	16,152	412	2.5
Antelope	4,469	4,330	139	3.1
Arthur	271	264	7	2.6
Banner	422	418	4	0.9
Blaine	348	342	6	1.7
Boone	4,286	4,153	133	3.1
Box Butte	9,491	9,293	198	2.1
Boyd	1,720	1,685	35	2.0
Brown	2,050	2,003	47	2.3
Buffalo	20,130	19,673	457	2.3
Burt	4,279	4,123	156	3.6
Butler	4,639	4,444	195	4.2
Cass	8,701	8,238	463	5.3
Cedar	5,262	5,085	177	3.4
Chase	2,543	2,424	29	1.2
Cherry	3,344	3,267	77	2.3
Cheyenne	5,332	5,161	171	3.2
Clay	3,840	3,750	90	2.3
Colfax	5,227	5,062	165	3.2
Cuming	6,165	6,021	144	2.3
Custer	6,843	6,768	75	1.1
Dakota	7,882	7,408	474	6.0
Dawes	4,296	4,208	88	2.0
Dawson	12,352	11,980	372	3.0
Deuel	1,186	1,172	14	1.2
Dixon	3,672	3,570	102	2.8
Dodge	21,035	20,029	1,006	4.8
Douglas	206,280	194,501	11,779	5.7
Dundy	1,183	1,159	24	2.0
Fillmore	3,899	3,844	55	1.4
Franklin	2,074	2,058	16	0.8

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES [1/]

June 1981 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment [1/] Rate
Frontier	1,922	1,903	19	1.0
Furnas	2,889	2,854	35	1.2
Gage	11,658	11,337	321	2.8
Garden	1,133	1,104	29	2.6
Garfield	1,529	1,503	26	1.7
Gosper	1,048	1,032	16	1.5
Grant	399	391	8	2.0
Greeley	1,636	1,593	43	2.6
Hall	23,891	22,927	964	4.0
Hamilton	5,792	5,638	154	2.7
Harlan	2,092	2,074	18	0.9
Hayes	571	562	9	1.6
Hitchcock	1,883	1,849	34	1.8
Holt	5,736	5,522	214	3.7
Hooker	459	454	5	1.1
Howard	2,867	2,757	110	3.8
Jefferson	5,260	5,133	127	2.4
Johnson	2,657	2,542	115	4.3
Kearney	3,815	3,728	87	2.3
Keith	4,811	3,642	169	3.5
Keya Paha	499	492	7	1.4
Kimball	2,881	2,779	102	3.5
Knox	5,408	5,227	181	3.3
Lancaster	115,940	111,379	4,561	3.9
Lincoln	18,509	17,742	767	4.1
Logan	604	601	3	0.5
Loup	299	292	7	2.3
McPherson	209	203	6	2.9
Madison	16,919	16,325	594	3.5
Merrick	3,442	3,328	114	3.3
Morrill	2,589	2,502	87	3.4

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES 1/

June 1981 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment 1/ Rate
Nance	1,938	1,859	79	4.1
Nemaha	3,408	3,207	201	5.9
Nuckolls	3,360	3,271	89	2.6
Otoe	8,539	8,161	378	4.4
Pawnee	2,123	2,047	76	3.6
Perkins	1,690	1,678	12	0.7
Phelps	5,270	5,212	58	1.1
Pierce	4,219	4,087	132	3.1
Platte	15,443	14,833	610	4.0
Polk	3,233	3,158	75	2.3
Red Willow	5,930	5,756	174	2.9
Richardson	5,162	4,920	242	4.7
Rock	1,365	1,345	20	1.5
Saline	6,858	6,741	117	1.7
Sarpy	41,785	40,426	1,359	3.3
Saunders	7,801	7,437	364	4.7
Scotts Bluff	22,526	21,555	971	4.3
Seward	7,110	6,929	181	2.5
Sheridan	3,550	3,469	81	2.3
Sherman	2,303	2,239	64	2.8
Sioux	806	793	13	1.6
Stanton	3,618	3,508	110	3.0
Thayer	3,601	3,548	53	1.5
Thomas	444	431	13	2.9
Thurston	3,621	3,298	323	8.9
Valley	2,740	2,664	76	2.8
Washington	5,870	5,602	268	4.6
Wayne	4,881	4,775	106	2.2
Webster	2,149	2,115	34	1.6
Wheeler	439	434	5	1.1
York	8,628	8,423	205	2.4

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Ratios of unemployment to the total civilian labor force.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

June 1981

	Applicants Available FY to Date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings			Appts/ Openings FY to Date	Active File/ Unfill.Open. End-of-Mo.	Unf. Open. 30 Days + % of Total
			Received FY to Date 2/	Unfilled				
				Total	30 Days or More			
TOTAL 3/	107,676	33,015	40,005	4,507	3,552	2.69	7.33	78.8
0-1 Professional, Technical, and Managerial	11,293	3,392	3,075	1,628	1,395	3.67	2.08	85.7
2 Clerical and Sales	27,556	7,908	8,854	1,886	1,558	3.11	4.19	82.6
Entry Codes 4/	5,259	1,501	---	---	---	--	--	--
20-24 Clerical	17,010	4,928	6,820	1,658	1,400	2.49	2.97	84.4
25-29 Sales	5,287	1,479	2,034	228	158	2.60	6.49	69.3
3 Service	17,841	6,005	8,250	320	167	2.16	18.77	52.2
Entry Codes 4/	2,808	925	---	---	---	--	--	--
30 Domestic	1,062	391	1,504	33	15	0.71	11.85	45.5
31-39 Other	13,971	4,689	6,746	187	152	2.07	25.07	81.3
4 Farm, Forestry, Fisheries	4,492	879	1,933	13	8	2.32	67.62	61.5
5 Processing	2,609	734	1,762	16	6	1.48	45.88	37.5
6 Machine Trades	5,255	1,629	1,401	84	45	3.75	19.39	53.6
7 Bench Work	4,919	1,374	1,241	79	47	3.96	17.39	59.5
8 Structural Work	13,212	4,112	4,362	140	59	3.03	29.37	42.1
9 Miscellaneous	14,789	4,777	9,116	110	36	1.62	43.43	32.7
Entry Codes 4/	2,579	828	---	---	---	--	---	--
90-91 Motor Freight, Transportation	5,382	1,714	3,288	51	17	1.64	33.61	33.3
92-97 Packaging, Materials Handling	6,331	2,098	5,510	41	11	1.15	51.17	26.8
93 Other 5/	497	137	318	18	8	1.56	7.61	44.4

1/ Source of Data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System)

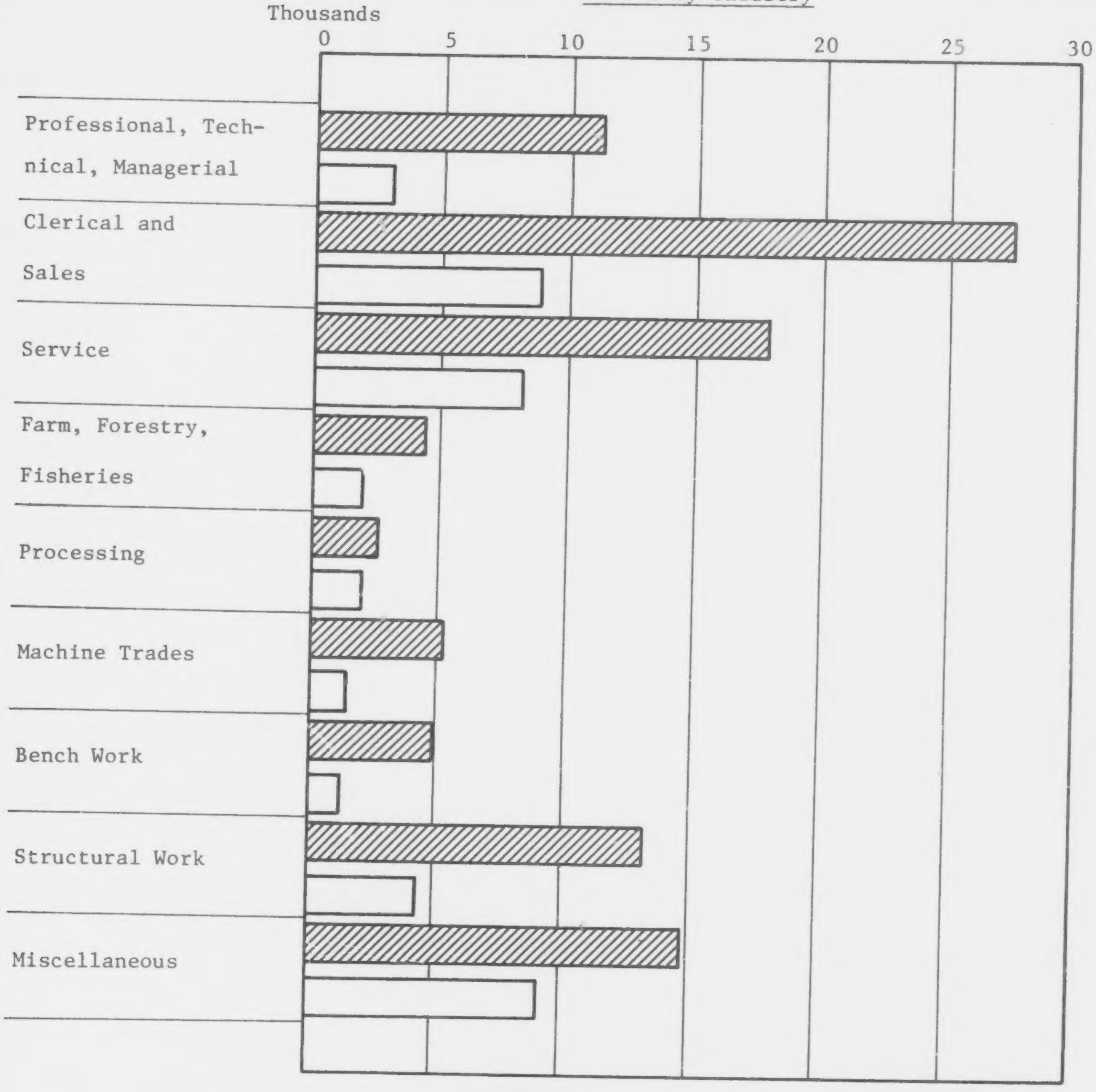
2/ Period Covered: 10-1-80 through 6-30-81. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

Worker Supply and Employer Demand By Industry



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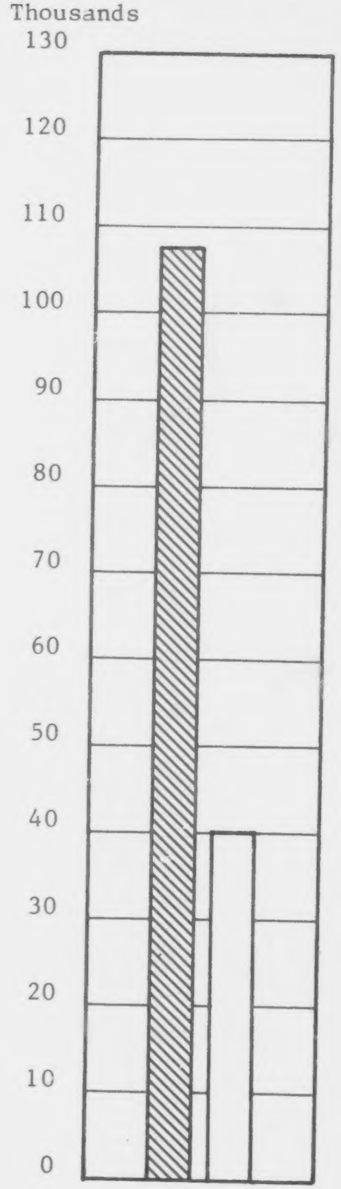

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☐ Job Openings

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES[1]

BY OCCUPATION

June 1981

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	2,834	3,164	$9,948/yr	$9,780/yr	1,325	1,480	648	763
Professional, Technical, and Managerial	632	692	12,646/yr	12,735/yr	497	502	300	352
Clerical and Sales	804	910	8,461/yr	8,331/yr	403	451	170	172
Service	393	446	3.74/hr	3.72/hr	120	161	53	64
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and Related	51	84	3.91/hr	4.17/hr	10	23	3	12
Processing	138	121	5.08/hr	4.95/hr	14	14	4	1
Machine Trades	159	176	5.23/hr	5.26/hr	67	84	31	57
Bench Work	110	122	3.96/hr	3.93/hr	55	65	31	29
Structural Work	267	300	4.92/hr	4.89/hr	91	100	32	52
Miscellaneous	280	313	5.25/hr	4.67/hr	68	80	24	24

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[1] Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service Offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING

June 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	June 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	June 1980 3/	June 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	June 1980 3/	June 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	June 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$322.32	$319.58	$296.94	40.8	40.3	40.4	$7.90	$7.93	$7.35
Durable Goods	321.85	317.09	288.72	41.0	40.6	40.1	7.85	7.81	7.20
Lumber, Stone, Clay, Glass Products	291.33	288.27	263.12	42.1	41.9	41.7	6.92	6.88	6.31
Primary and Fabricated Metals	338.62	325.19	294.14	41.6	40.7	38.2	8.14	7.99	7.70
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	344.43	339.47	310.59	41.2	40.9	40.6	8.36	8.30	7.65
Nondurable Goods	322.38	322.80	345.23	40.5	40.0	43.1	7.96	8.07	8.01
Food and Kindred Products	369.79	367.42	345.23	42.8	41.8	43.1	8.64	8.79	8.01
Meat Products	388.96	400.56	366.80	41.6	41.9	42.9	9.35	9.56	8.55
Dairy Products	252.72	234.36	214.89	40.5	37.8	37.7	6.24	6.20	5.70
Grain Mill Products	435.12	422.20	444.57	48.4	45.3	51.1	8.99	9.32	8.70
Bakery Products	292.92	298.40	243.55	36.9	37.3	34.4	7.94	8.00	7.08
Other Food and Kindred Products	278.08	262.35	235.52	43.3	40.3	38.8	6.63	6.51	6.07
Printing and Publishing	233.58	237.70	251.56	34.0	34.3	36.3	6.87	6.93	6.93
Chemicals and Allied Products	319.07	308.43	301.89	42.6	41.4	44.2	7.49	7.45	6.83

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program
2/ Preliminary
3/ Revised

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $2.74 from May 1981 to June 1981. This included a rise of $4.76 in durable goods and a very small dip of $.42 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings gained by $25.38, including an increase of $33.13 in durable goods along with a decrease of $22.85 in nondurable goods. Average weekly hours increased by 0.5 hours month-to-month, and also increased by 0.4 hours year-to-year. Average hourly earnings dipped slightly from May 1981 to June 1981: -$.03, but showed a gain of $.55 from June 1980 to June 1981.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

(Per 1,000 Workers)

May 1981

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	May[2] 1981	Apr[3] 1981	May[3] 1980	May[2] 1981	Apr[3] 1981	May[3] 1980	May[2] 1981	Apr[3] 1981	May[3] 1980	May[2] 1981	Apr[3] 1981	May[3] 1980	May[2] 1981	Apr[3] 1981	May[3] 1980
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	40	35	35	29	27	24	30	32	45	16	20	17	8	4	20
Durable Goods	34	30	26	26	22	18	27	27	48	14	17	15	6	3	26
Lumber, Stone, Clay, Glass Prod.	36	62	77	31	41	45	37	29	78	24	21	23	3	4/	43
Furniture and Fixtures	13	10	16	13	9	16	19	26	28	17	23	20	4/	4/	1
Primary and Fabr. Metals	36	39	25	26	26	17	37	31	42	12	15	10	18	8	25
Machinery and Trans. Equip.	37	26	18	27	20	13	21	25	48	12	17	13	3	2	28
Other Durable Goods	18	19	29	15	16	26	35	31	43	20	18	27	6	2	6
Nondurable Goods	46	40	45	33	31	31	32	37	41	18	23	19	10	5	14
Food and Kindred Products	56	33	56	36	29	35	34	36	30	19	22	19	10	6	4
Meat Products	49	37	49	33	34	31	26	41	30	19	27	19	3	7	4
Dairy Products	30	14	44	22	14	34	22	18	24	22	7	16	4/	4/	8
Grain Mill Products	83	20	83	40	15	42	20	32	20	11	12	11	4	6	5
Bakery Products	78	26	81	50	21	51	37	34	44	31	24	26	4/	4/	4/
Other Food and Kindred Prod.	52	44	45	42	39	35	78	34	37	22	23	23	47	5	1
Textiles and Apparel	62	80	41	58	71	40	52	90	59	37	60	26	8	23	27
Paper and Allied Products	24	42	17	19	21	15	39	18	33	17	16	10	18	4/	17
Printing and Publishing	41	37	38	40	36	36	19	28	44	14	19	31	4/	2	4
Chemicals and Allied Products	14	19	22	12	11	18	56	21	14	7	6	7	48	5	3
Petroleum, Rubber, Plastic Products and Leather	23	69	17	15	30	11	23	40	112	12	23	9	4	3	92

1/ Source of Data: Labor Turnover Program

NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary

3/ Revised

4/ Less than one-half

Accession rates in Nebraska manufacturing increased from 35 per 1,000 workers in April 1981 to 40 per 1,000 workers in May 1981. Durable goods increased from 30 per 1,000 to 34 per 1,000 during that period, and nondurable goods also showed a gain from 40 per 1,000 to 46 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accessions also increased from 35 per 1,000 to 40 per 1,000. This included a gain in durable goods from 26 per 1,000 to 34 per 1,000, and a slight increase in nondurable goods from 45 per 1,000 to 46 per 1,000. Separations dropped month-to-month from 32 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000, and also declined year-to-year from 45 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000. Layoff rates increased from 4 per 1,000 in April 1981 to 8 per 1,000 in May 1981, but dropped from the 20 per 1,000 rate of May 1980.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

June 1981

	June 1981	May 1981	June 1980
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	6,475	5,157	7,591
Weeks Claimed	44,738	37,336	48,265
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI Funds	$ 3,369,012	$ 2,895,019	$ 3,731,340
Calendar Year to Date	$26,376,282	$23,007,270	$24,820,860
Average Size of Weekly Payments	$90.66	$92.71	$90.29
First Payments	3,056	2,108	4,347
Exhaustions	1,190	1,064	1,065
Individuals Who Drew Benefits	11,212	11,816	14,460
Rate of Insured Unemployment	1.6	1.6	2.0
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE Funds	$ 76,030	$ 61,087	$ 66,460
Average Size of Weekly Payments	$74.69	$73.96	$76.04
First Payments	63	62	60
Exhaustions	30	12	15
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX Funds	$ 31,566	$ 28,038	$ 39,128
Average Size of Weekly Payments	$90.19	$90.45	$86.00
First Payments	23	12	29
Exhaustions	7	3	3
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject Employers - End of Month	36,802	37,687	36,669
Contributions Received	$ 311,760	$12,209,615	$ 103,284
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of Month Fund Balance	$84,784,041	$85,863,538	$80,585,303

UI initial claims in Area Claims Centers increased from 5,157 in May 1981 to 6,475 in June 1981. Weeks claimed increased from 37,336 in May 1981 to 44,738 in June 1981.

UI benefit payments increased from 2.9 million in May 1981 to 3.4 million in June 1981.

The number of insured unemployed increased from 9,246 in May 1981 to 9,284 in June 1981.

The rate of insured unemployment remained at 1.6% in May 1981 and in June 1981.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 28.5 million compared to 21.5 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 84.8 million compared to 80.6 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

June 1981

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
MALE	5,226	59.7
FEMALE	3,525	40.3
RACE/ETHNIC:		
WHITE	7,702	88.0
ALL OTHER RACES	1,049	12.0
AGE:		
UNDER 22	1,110	12.6
22 - 44	5,436	62.2
45 & OVER	2,205	25.2
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 OR LESS	4,087	46.7
5 - 14	3,149	36.0
15 & OVER	1,515	17.3

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, Technical and Managerial	2,121	24.2
Clerical & Sales	1,459	16.7
Service	818	9.4
Farm & Related	59	0.7
Processing	320	3.7
Machine Trades	415	4.7
Bench Work	353	4.0
Structural Work	2,083	23.8
Miscellaneous	1,123	12.8
INDUSTRY:		
Construction & Mining	1,709	19.5
Manufacturing	1,971	22.5
Durable Goods	922	10.5
Nondurable Goods	1,049	12.0
Transportation, Communication & Utilities	479	5.5
Trade (Wholesale & Retail)	1,879	21.5
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	254	2.9
Services	1,502	17.2
Government	269	3.1
Other	688	7.8

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for June 1981 was 8,751.

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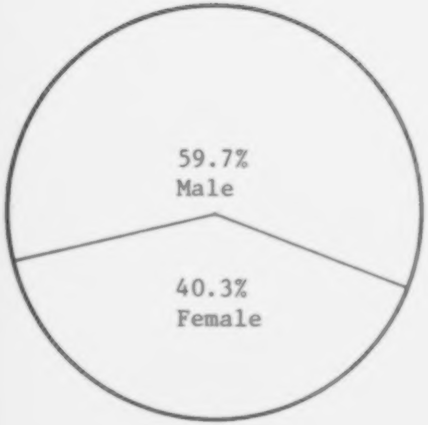
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED

June 1981



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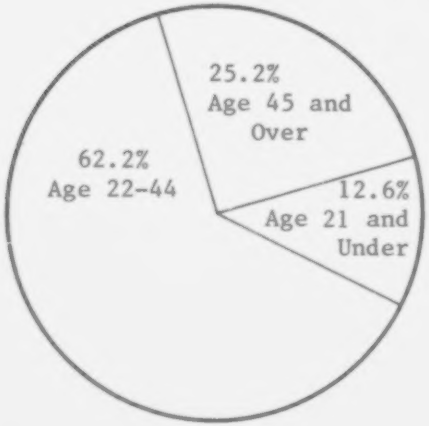

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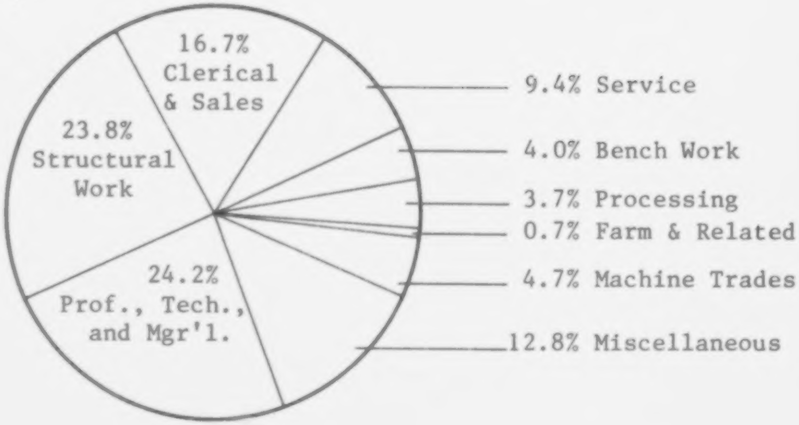

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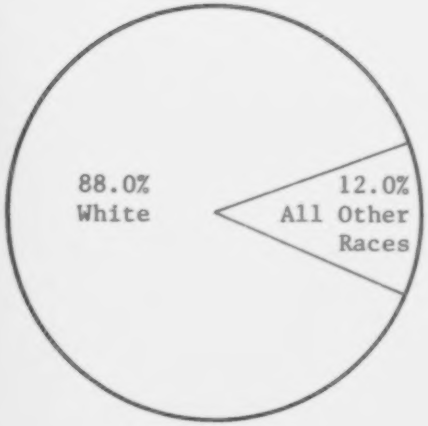

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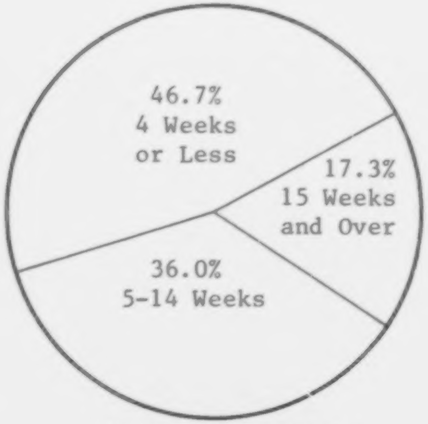

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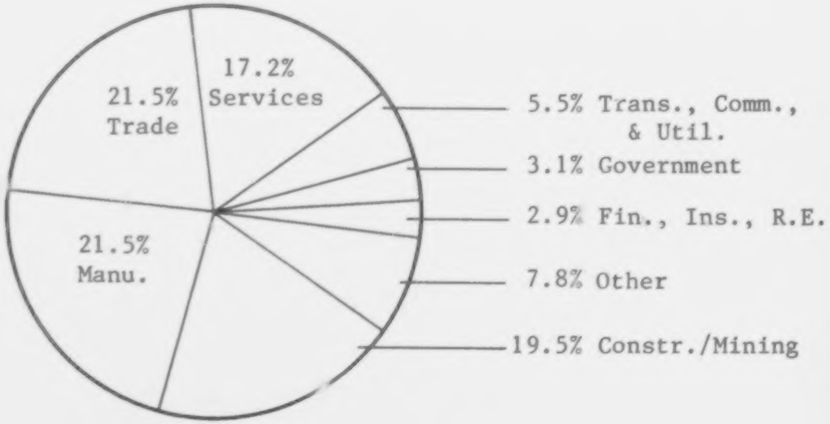

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STATE SUMMARY OF INITIAL CLAIMS
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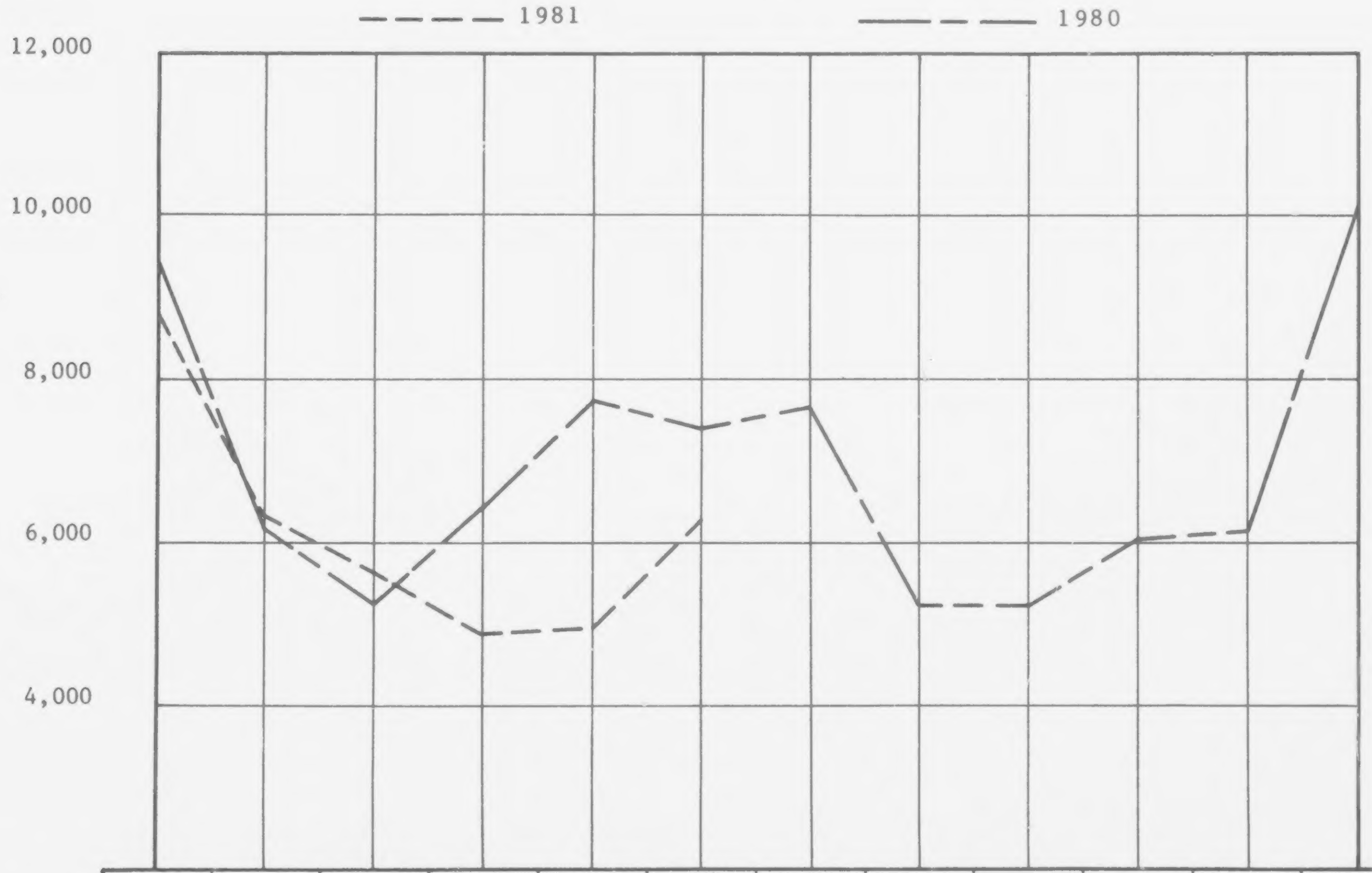

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1980	9,343	6,188	5,266	6,486	7,734	7,397	7,642	5,221	5,224	6,028	6,143	10,092
1981	8,744	6,339	5,622	4,886	4,951	6,294						

STATE SUMMARY OF CONTINUED CLAIMS BY MONTH

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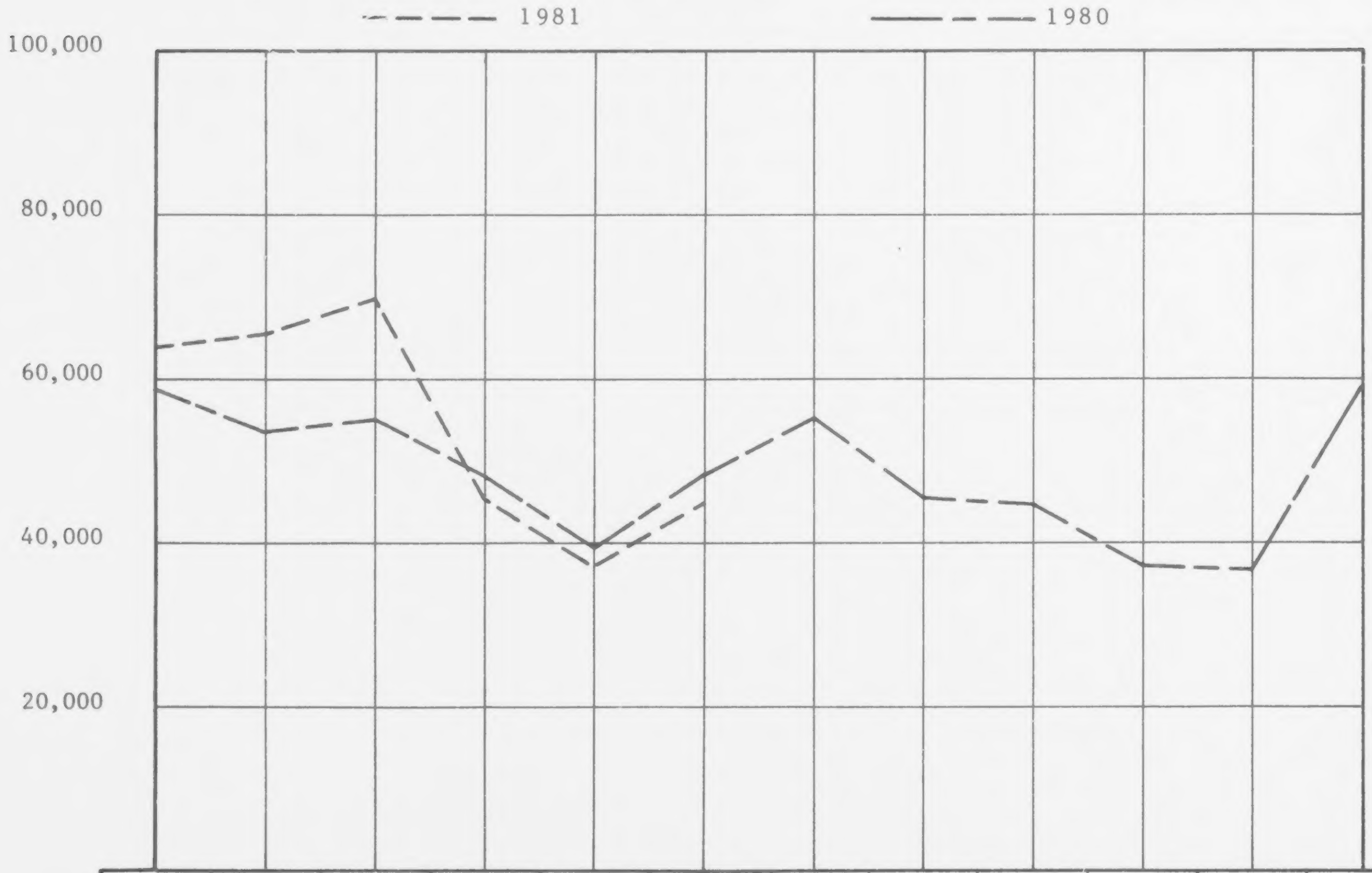

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1980	58,975	53,891	55,127	48,414	39,600	48,265	55,391	45,529	44,770	37,288	36,860	59,010
1981	63,974	65,687	69,871	45,545	37,336	44,738						

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

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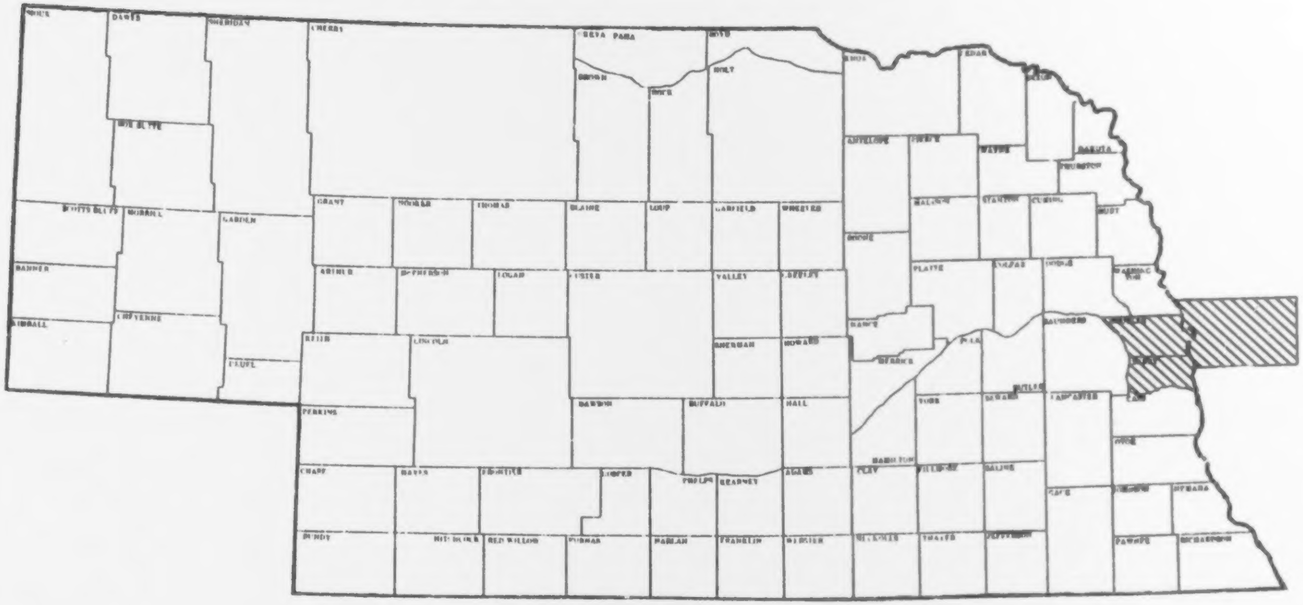
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JUNE 1981

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	271.3	0.9	9.6	271.4	0.9	9.5
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	266.5	0.4	8.5	267.0	0.4	8.4
Food	273.6	0.4	8.6	274.0	0.4	8.4
Food at home	268.7	0.4	8.3	268.2	0.4	8.3
Cereals & bakery products	271.5	0.6	10.4	270.7	0.5	10.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	248.7	0.7	7.6	248.4	0.9	7.8
Dairy products	243.8	0	7.3	243.9	0	7.1
Fruits and vegetables	278.1	0.5	11.2	275.3	0.4	10.0
Other foods at home	323.6	0	7.2	324.5	-0.1	7.7
Food away from home	290.6	0.4	9.0	293.5	0.5	8.7
Alcoholic beverages	199.8	0.4	7.2	202.1	0.4	7.5
HOUSING	292.2	1.3	9.6	291.9	1.3	9.4
Shelter	312.6	1.4	9.2	313.7	1.4	8.9
Rent (residential)	206.8	0.4	8.2	206.4	0.4	8.2
Other rental costs	289.5	1.1	9.6	289.7	1.3	9.8
Homeownership	350.4	1.6	9.4	352.7	1.6	9.1
Fuel and other utilities	320.2	1.7	13.5	321.2	1.7	13.5
Fuels	411.7	2.1	15.7	411.2	2.2	15.6
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	682.0	-0.6	22.1	685.1	-0.5	22.4
Gas (piped) & electricity	350.2	3.1	13.4	349.0	3.2	13.1
Household furnishings & operation	221.1	0.5	7.6	217.8	0.5	7.3
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	185.8	-0.3	4.9	185.8	-0.2	5.6
Men's & boys' apparel	176.6	-0.1	5.9	177.2	-0.1	5.4
Women's & girls' apparel	155.4	-1.1	1.6	158.1	-1.2	4.6
Footwear	200.4	-0.3	6.0	200.6	0.3	6.2
TRANSPORTATION	279.9	0.8	12.1	281.0	0.8	12.1
Private transportation	277.9	0.7	11.3	279.7	0.7	11.5
Public transportation	303.9	2.1	25.5	293.6	1.9	25.0
MEDICAL CARE	291.5	0.9	10.1	292.9	0.7	10.2
Medical care services	314.4	0.9	10.0	315.8	0.7	9.9
ENTERTAINMENT	220.8	0.2	7.5	218.3	0.3	7.0
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	233.4	0.5	9.8	231.4	0.4	9.1
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	315.5			315.6		

OMAHA STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA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The Omaha Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area consists of Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska, and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.

OMAHA SMSA [1]

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [2]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
		May 1981	Jun 1980	May 1981	June 1980
Civilian Labor Force	290,600	285,500	291,150	5,100	- 550
Employment	276,800	273,200	275,050	3,600	1,750
Nonagricultural	272,600	269,350	270,900	3,250	1,700
Agricultural	4,200	3,850	4,150	350	50
Unemployment	13,800	12,300	16,100	1,500	-2,300
Unemployment Rate [3]	4.7	4.3	5.5	xxx	xxx

1/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa. The Nebraska portion of the SMSA labor force, estimated at 248,250, is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 42,350, is excluded from the Nebraska total.

2/ The above estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

3/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Omaha SMSA civilian labor force increased by 5,100 from May 1981 to June 1981, but decreased by 550 from June 1980 to June 1981. Total employment rose by 3,600 month-to-month, and also gained by 1,750 year-to-year. Nonagricultural employment accounted for virtually all of the month-to-month increase (3,250) and the year-to-year increase (1,700).

Unemployment in the Omaha SMSA increased by 1,500 from May 1981 to June 1981, but dropped by 2,300 from June 1980 to June 1981. The unemployment rate moved upward from 4.3 percent in May 1981 to 4.7 percent in June 1981, and compared to 5.5 percent in June 1980.

ESTIMATES OF OMAHA SMSA 1/ NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 2/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	June 1981 3/	May 1981 4/	June 1980 4/	Change From: May 1981	Change From: June 1980	Percent Change From: June 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	269,146	265,983	265,542	3,163	3,604	1.4
MANUFACTURING	35,608	35,231	35,359	377	249	0.7
Durable goods	18,424	18,245	17,957	179	467	2.6
Construction material	1,122	1,121	1,078	1	44	4.1
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	351	347	305	4	46	15.1
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	771	774	773	- 3	- 2	- 0.3
Furniture & fixtures	1,426	1,417	1,553	9	- 127	- 8.2
Metals	3,168	3,059	3,034	109	134	4.4
Primary metal industries	1,012	989	1,071	23	- 59	- 5.5
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & trans. equipment	2,156	2,070	1,963	86	193	9.8
Machinery except electrical	5,592	5,557	4,925	35	667	13.5
Farm machinery & equipment	1,735	1,808	1,489	- 73	246	16.5
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	4,493	4,527	4,928	- 35	- 435	- 8.8
Transportation equipment	1,050	1,036	959	14	91	9.5
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	799	791	743	8	56	7.5
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	1,573	1,528	1,480	45	93	6.3
Nondurable goods	17,184	16,986	17,402	198	- 218	- 1.3
Food & kindred products	9,221	8,986	9,570	235	- 349	- 3.6
Meat products	3,593	3,443	3,598	150	- 5	- 0.1
Dairy products	553	541	571	12	- 18	- 3.2
Grain mill	1,917	1,815	1,872	102	45	2.4
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	3,158	3,187	2,584	- 29	574	22.2
Textile products & apparel	639	684	659	- 45	- 20	- 3.0
Printing, publishing & allied industries	3,551	3,547	3,457	4	94	2.7
Chemicals & allied products	1,333	1,348	1,312	- 15	21	1.6
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	2,440	2,421	2,404	19	36	1.5
NONMANUFACTURING	233,538	230,752	230,183	2,786	3,355	1.5
MINING	214	216	207	- 2	7	3.4
CONSTRUCTION	10,062	9,887	9,944	175	118	1.2
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	2,340	2,302	2,067	38	273	13.2
Construction other than building construction - gen. contractors	2,023	1,965	2,173	58	- 150	- 6.9
Construction - special trade contractors	5,699	5,620	5,704	79	- 5	- 0.1
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	24,346	24,086	24,374	260	- 28	- 0.1
Railroad transportation	6,856	6,781	6,774	75	82	1.2
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	8,411	8,315	8,440	96	- 29	- 0.3
Communication & electric, gas & sanitary services	9,079	8,990	9,160	89	- 81	- 0.9

TRADE	68,105	67,816	68,403	289	- 298	- 0.4
Wholesale	21,234	21,111	21,249	123	- 15	- 0.1
Durable goods	13,168	13,069	13,217	99	- 49	- 0.4
Nondurable goods	8,066	8,042	8,032	24	34	0.4
Retail	46,871	46,705	47,154	166	- 283	- 0.6
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	1,555	1,568	1,527	- 13	28	1.8
General merchandise stores	7,707	7,844	8,022	- 137	- 315	- 3.9
Food stores	6,876	6,876	6,640	0	236	3.6
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	4,654	4,642	4,813	12	- 159	- 3.3
Apparel & accessory stores	2,392	2,457	2,425	- 65	- 33	- 1.4
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	1,715	1,683	1,625	32	90	5.5
Eating & drinking places	16,947	16,631	16,938	316	9	0.1
Miscellaneous retail	5,025	5,004	5,164	21	- 139	- 2.7
Drug stores & proprietary stores	1,357	1,354	1,489	3	- 132	- 8.9
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	3,668	3,650	3,675	18	- 7	- 0.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25,945	25,517	25,307	428	638	2.5
Banking	4,076	4,046	3,960	30	116	2.9
Insurance	15,199	15,021	14,797	178	402	2.7
Real estate	3,051	2,994	3,152	57	- 101	- 3.2
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	3,619	3,456	3,398	163	221	6.5
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	61,684	61,118	69,238	566	2,446	4.1
Hotels, rooming houses, camps & other lodging places	2,784	2,689	2,770	95	14	0.5
Personal services	2,840	2,847	2,982	- 7	- 142	- 4.8
Business services	12,425	12,309	11,434	116	991	8.7
Automotive repair, services, & garages	2,117	2,092	2,113	25	4	0.2
Amusement & recreation	3,377	3,103	3,361	274	16	0.5
Health services	20,629	20,230	19,363	399	1,266	6.5
Educational services	4,356	4,786	4,059	- 430	297	7.3
Social services	3,132	3,347	3,478	- 215	- 346	- 9.9
Membership services	3,208	3,208	2,068	0	140	4.6
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	6,816	6,507	6,610	309	206	3.1
GOVERNMENT	43,182	42,122	42,710	1,070	472	1.1
Federal	8,210	8,205	8,408	5	- 198	- 2.4
State	8,487	8,262	8,317	225	170	2.0
Local	26,485	25,645	25,985	840	500	1.9

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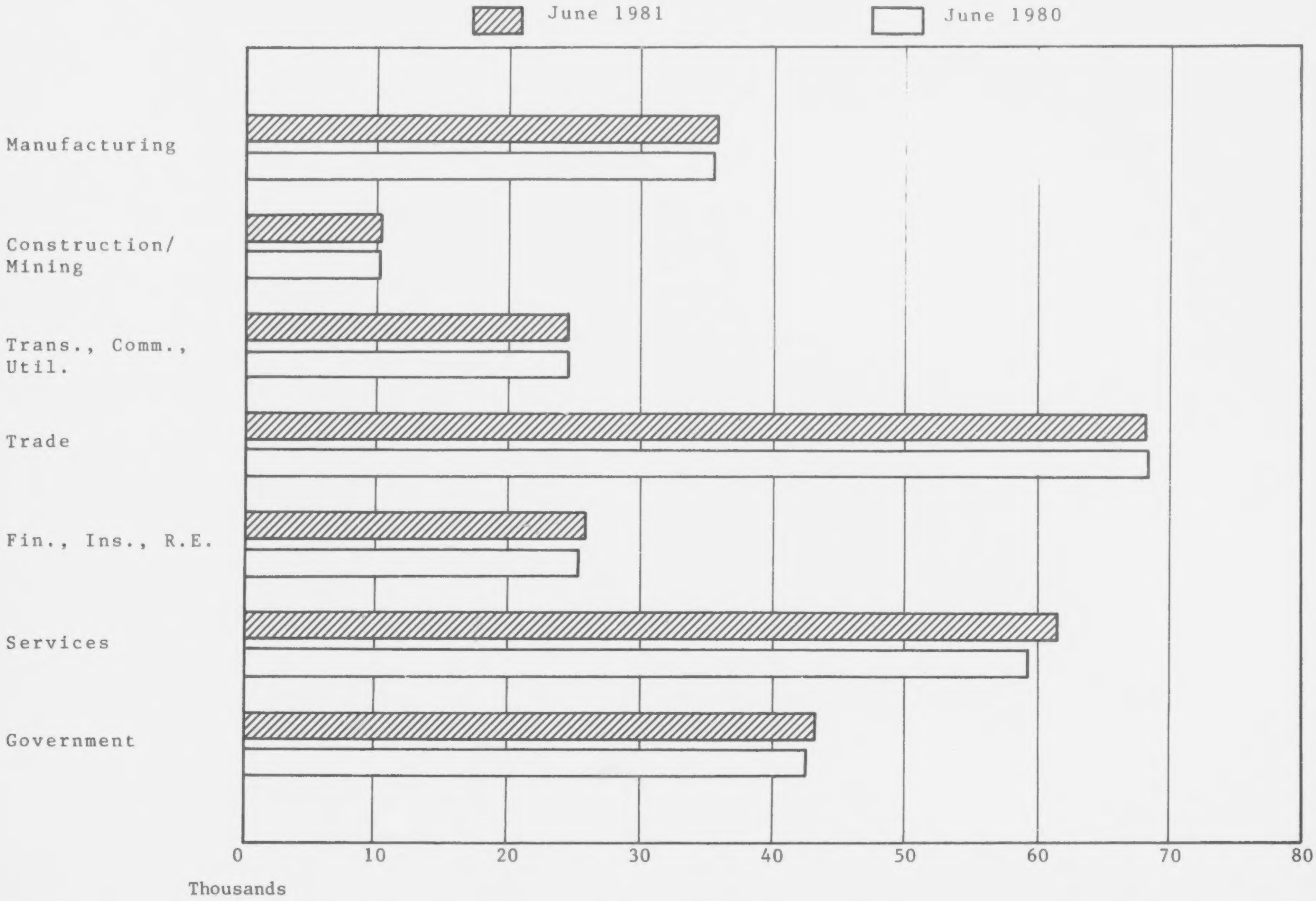
OMAHA SMSA[1/] NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



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OMAHA SMSA [1] - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

June 1981 in review . . . . .

The Omaha SMSA nonagricultural work force increased by 3,163 from May 1981 to June 1981. This included a gain of 377 for manufacturing and a rise of 2,786 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 377 in manufacturing included a gain of 179 in durable goods and an increase of 198 in nondurable goods. The largest gain in durable goods was metals (109). The chief gainer in nondurable goods was food and kindred products (235).

All major industrial categories showed a month-to-month increase, including government (1,070), services (566), finance-insurance-real estate (428), trade (289), transportation-communication-utilities (260), and construction/mining (173). The major increase in government was in local government (840). The largest gain in service was in health services (399). The increase of 289 in trade included a gain of 123 in wholesale trade and an increase of 166 in retail trade.

Annual changes . . . . .

The Omaha SMSA nonagricultural work force increased by 3,604 from June 1980 to June 1981. This included a small increase of 249 in manufacturing and a rise of 3,355 in nonmanufacturing.

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (2,446), finance-insurance-real estate (638), government (472), and construction/mining (125). Over nine-tenths of the increase in service occurred in two categories: health services (1,266) and business services (991). The major increase in government was in local government (500).

From June 1980 to June 1981, losses occurred in trade (-298), and transportation-communication-utilities (-28). The decrease in trade included a drop of 283 in retail trade and a dip of 15 in wholesale trade.

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ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING - OMAHA SMSA

June 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jun 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	Jun 1980 3/	Jun 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	Jun 1980 3/	Jun 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	Jun 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$313.68	$325.91	$306.99	38.3	39.6	40.5	$8.19	$8.23	$7.58
Durable Goods	309.12	334.17	306.13	36.8	39.5	39.5	8.40	8.46	7.75
Primary and Fabricated Metals	351.91	367.73	386.13	37.2	37.6	42.2	9.46	9.78	9.15
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	390.35	364.08	322.00	42.2	41.0	40.0	9.25	8.88	8.05
Nondurable Goods	319.99	316.81	308.58	40.2	39.7	41.7	7.96	7.98	7.40
Food and Kindred Products	358.69	358.27	335.16	40.9	40.3	44.1	8.77	8.89	7.60
Meat Products	328.71	349.57	344.52	38.9	40.6	43.5	8.45	8.61	7.92
Grain Mill Products	514.55	510.42	527.36	44.9	44.5	51.4	11.46	11.47	10.26
Bakery Products	316.57	318.70	242.59	38.7	39.2	33.6	8.18	8.13	7.22
Other Food and Kindred Products	267.44	236.58	260.76	41.4	35.9	42.4	6.46	6.59	6.15
Printing and Publishing	263.11	269.37	256.50	35.7	36.5	36.8	7.37	7.38	6.97

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program
2/ Preliminary
3/ Revised

Average weekly earnings in Omaha SMSA decreased by $12.23 from May 1981 to June 1981, including a drop of $25.05 in durable goods along with a rise of $3.18 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $6.69, including a gain of $2.99 in durable goods and an increase of $11.41 in nondurable goods. Average weekly hours dropped by 1.3 hours month-to-month, and declined by 2.2 hours year-to-year. Average hourly earnings had a very slight dip from May 1981 to June 1981: -$.04, but showed a gain of $.61 from June 1980 to June 1981.

OMAHA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED [1]

June 1981

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
MALE	2,413	64.2
FEMALE	1,346	35.8
RACE/ETHNIC:		
WHITE	2,994	79.6
ALL OTHER RACES	765	20.4
AGE:		
UNDER 22	434	11.5
22 - 44	2,465	65.6
45 & OVER	860	22.9
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 OR LESS	1,681	44.7
5 - 14	1,420	37.8
15 & OVER	658	17.5

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, Technical and Managerial	933	24.8
Clerical & Sales	634	16.9
Service	291	7.7
Farm & Related	15	0.4
Processing	96	2.6
Machine Trades	213	5.7
Bench Work	102	2.7
Structural Work	878	23.4
Miscellaneous	597	15.9
INDUSTRY:		
Construction & Mining	728	19.4
Manufacturing	686	18.2
Durable Goods	343	9.1
Nondurable Goods	343	9.1
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	311	8.3
Trade (Wholesale & Retail)	796	21.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	172	4.6
Services	714	19.0
Government	84	2.2
Other	268	7.1

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[1] Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Omaha UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for June 1981 was 3,759. The Omaha UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER AREA defined as Douglas and Sarpy counties.

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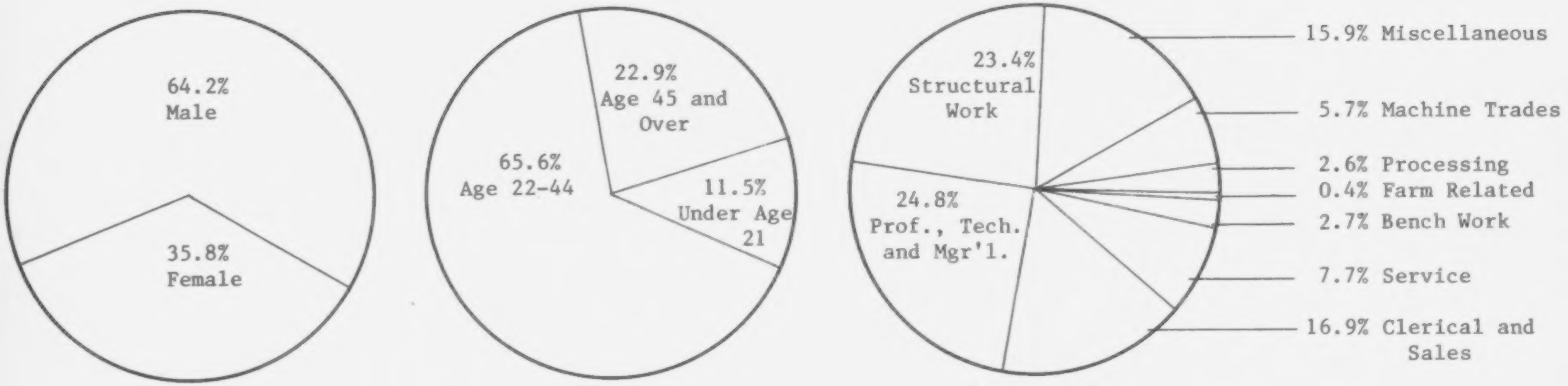
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED

June 1981



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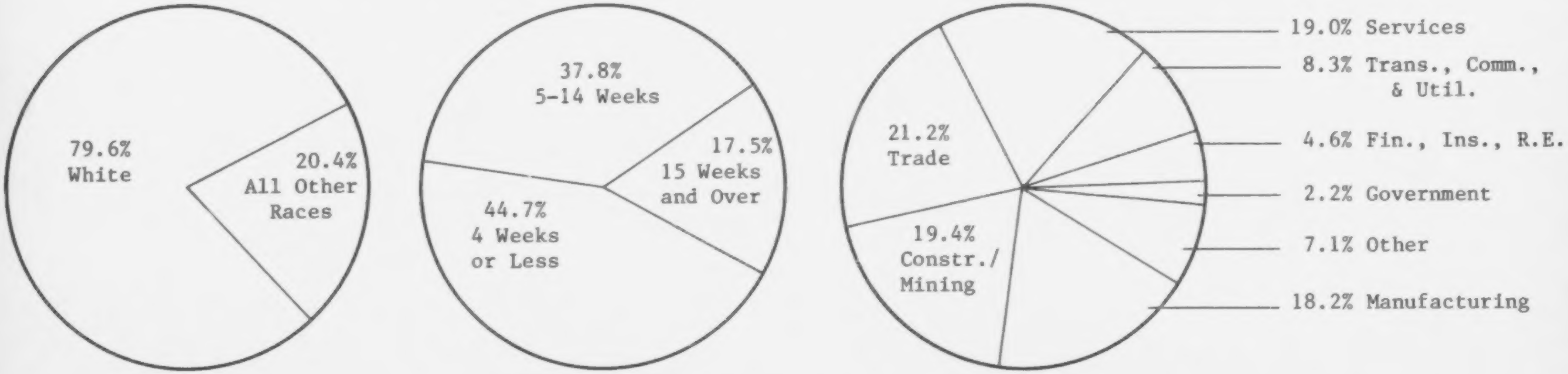

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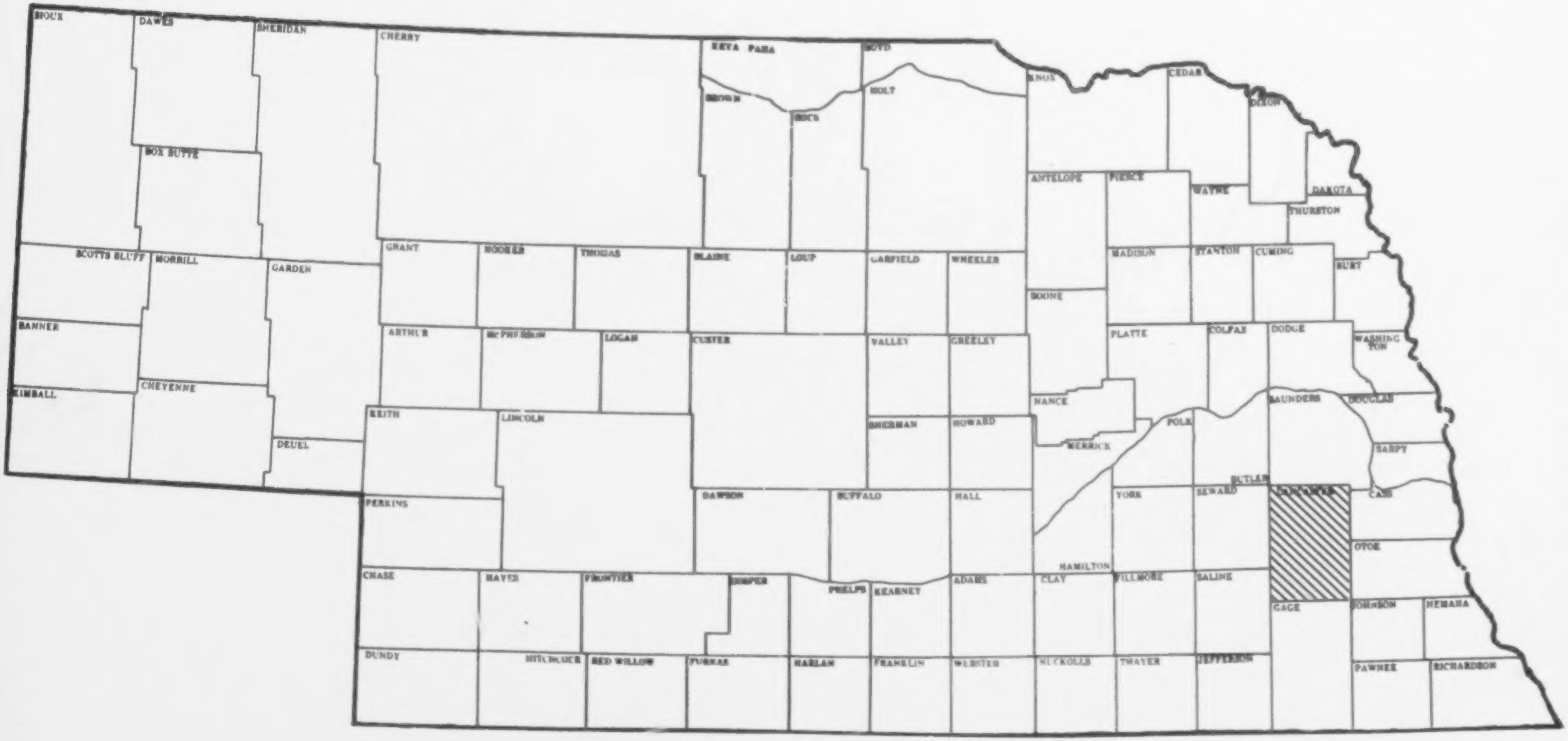
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LINCOLN SMSA [1]

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [2]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary June 1981	Revised		Change From:	
		May 1981	June 1980	May 1981	June 1980
Civilian Labor Force	115,850	113,200	114,500	2,650	1,350
Employment	111,800	109,550	110,500	2,250	1,300
Nonagricultural	109,200	107,100	107,900	2,050	1,300
Agricultural	2,600	2,400	2,600	200	0
Unemployment	4,050	3,650	4,000	400	50
Unemployment Rate [3]	3.5	3.2	3.5	xxx	xxx

[1] Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County

[2] The above estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

[3] Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Lincoln SMSA civilian labor force increased by 2,650 from May 1981 to June 1981, and also increased by 1,350 from June 1980 to June 1981. Total employment rose by 2,250 month-to-month, and also by 1,300 year-to-year. Nonagricultural employment provided the predominant part of that increase, both year-to-year (2,050) and month-to-month (1,300).

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA increased by 400 from May 1981 to June 1981, and also had a small increase of 50 from June 1980 to June 1981. The unemployment rate increased from 3.2 percent in May 1981 to 3.5 percent in June 1981, and compared to 3.5 percent in June 1980.

ESTIMATES OF LINCOLN SMSA[1/] NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA[2/]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	June 1981 3/	May 1981 4/	June 1980 4/	Change From:		Percent Change From:
				May 1981	June 1980	June 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	100,706	101,199	101,873	- 493	-1,167	- 1.1
MANUFACTURING	13,378	13,480	13,298	- 102	80	0.6
Durable goods	6,160	6,347	6,039	- 187	121	2.0
Construction material	610	620	685	- 10	- 75	-10.9
Lumber and wood products, except furniture	215	232	217	- 17	- 2	- 0.9
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	395	388	468	7	- 73	-15.6
Furniture & fixtures	131	131	97	0	34	35.1
Metals	932	964	976	- 32	- 44	- 4.5
Primary metal industries	74	71	67	3	7	10.4
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & trans. equipment	858	893	909	- 35	- 51	- 5.6
Machinery except electrical	590	571	558	19	32	5.7
Farm machinery & equipment	66	66	70	0	- 4	- 5.7
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	1,572	1,682	1,427	- 110	145	10.2
Transportation equipment	1,854	1,872	1,812	- 18	42	2.3
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	471	507	484	- 36	- 13	- 2.7
Nondurable goods	7,218	7,133	7,259	85	- 41	- 0.6
Food & kindred products	2,256	2,203	2,498	53	- 242	- 9.7
Meat products	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Dairy products	261	283	281	- 22	- 20	- 7.1
Grain mill	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	908	889	1,257	19	- 349	-27.8
Textile products & apparel	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Printing, publishing & allied industries	2,019	1,998	1,927	21	92	4.8
Chemicals & allied products	866	848	857	18	9	1.1
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
NONMANUFACTURING	87,328	87,719	88,575	- 391	-1,247	- 1.4
MINING	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
CONSTRUCTION	3,658	3,633	4,088	25	- 430	-10.5
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	848	840	1,089	8	- 241	-22.1
Construction other than building construction - gen. contractors	492	468	763	24	- 271	-35.5
Construction - special trade contractors	2,318	2,325	2,236	- 7	82	3.7
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	7,440	7,418	7,544	22	- 104	- 1.4
Railroad transportation	3,346	3,315	3,411	31	- 65	- 1.9
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	1,037	1,033	1,041	4	- 4	- 0.4
Communication & electric, gas & sanitary services	3,057	3,070	3,092	- 13	- 35	- 1.1

TRADE	21,536	21,890	21,726	- 354	- 190	- 0.9
Wholesale	5,096	5,075	5,107	21	- 11	- 0.2
Durable goods	2,781	2,793	2,784	- 12	- 3	- 0.1
Nondurable goods	2,315	2,282	2,323	33	- 8	- 0.3
Retail	16,440	16,815	16,619	- 375	- 179	- 1.1
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	646	648	701	- 2	- 55	- 7.8
General merchandise stores	2,052	2,044	2,396	8	- 344	-14.4
Food stores	1,894	1,955	1,765	- 61	129	7.3
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	2,072	2,068	2,102	4	- 30	- 1.4
Apparel & accessory stores	1,063	1,087	1,109	- 24	- 46	- 4.1
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	518	517	496	1	22	4.4
Eating & drinking places	6,114	6,329	6,033	- 215	81	1.3
Miscellaneous retail	2,081	2,167	2,017	- 86	64	3.2
Drug stores & proprietary stores	592	592	549	0	43	7.8
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	1,489	1,575	1,468	- 86	21	1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	7,058	7,027	7,018	31	40	0.6
Banking	1,494	1,479	1,406	15	88	6.3
Insurance	3,871	3,850	3,958	21	- 87	- 2.2
Real estate	721	720	710	1	11	1.5
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	972	978	944	- 6	28	3.0
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	17,453	17,781	16,996	- 328	457	2.7
Hotels, rooming houses, camps & other lodging places	1,157	1,170	1,004	- 13	153	15.2
Personal services	1,032	1,031	973	1	59	6.1
Business services	3,318	3,403	3,393	- 85	- 75	- 2.2
Automotive repair, services, & garages	424	423	449	1	25	- 5.6
Amusement & recreation	952	884	821	68	131	16.0
Health services	5,263	5,261	5,153	2	110	2.1
Educational services	902	1,202	907	- 300	- 5	- 0.6
Social services	736	746	727	- 10	9	1.2
Membership services	1,545	1,577	1,616	- 32	- 71	- 4.4
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	2,124	2,084	1,953	- 32	- 71	- 4.4
GOVERNMENT	30,135	29,920	31,167	215	-1,032	- 3.3
Federal	2,458	2,435	2,817	23	- 359	-12.7
State	17,151	16,711	18,137	440	- 986	- 5.4
Local	10,526	10,774	10,213	- 248	313	3.1

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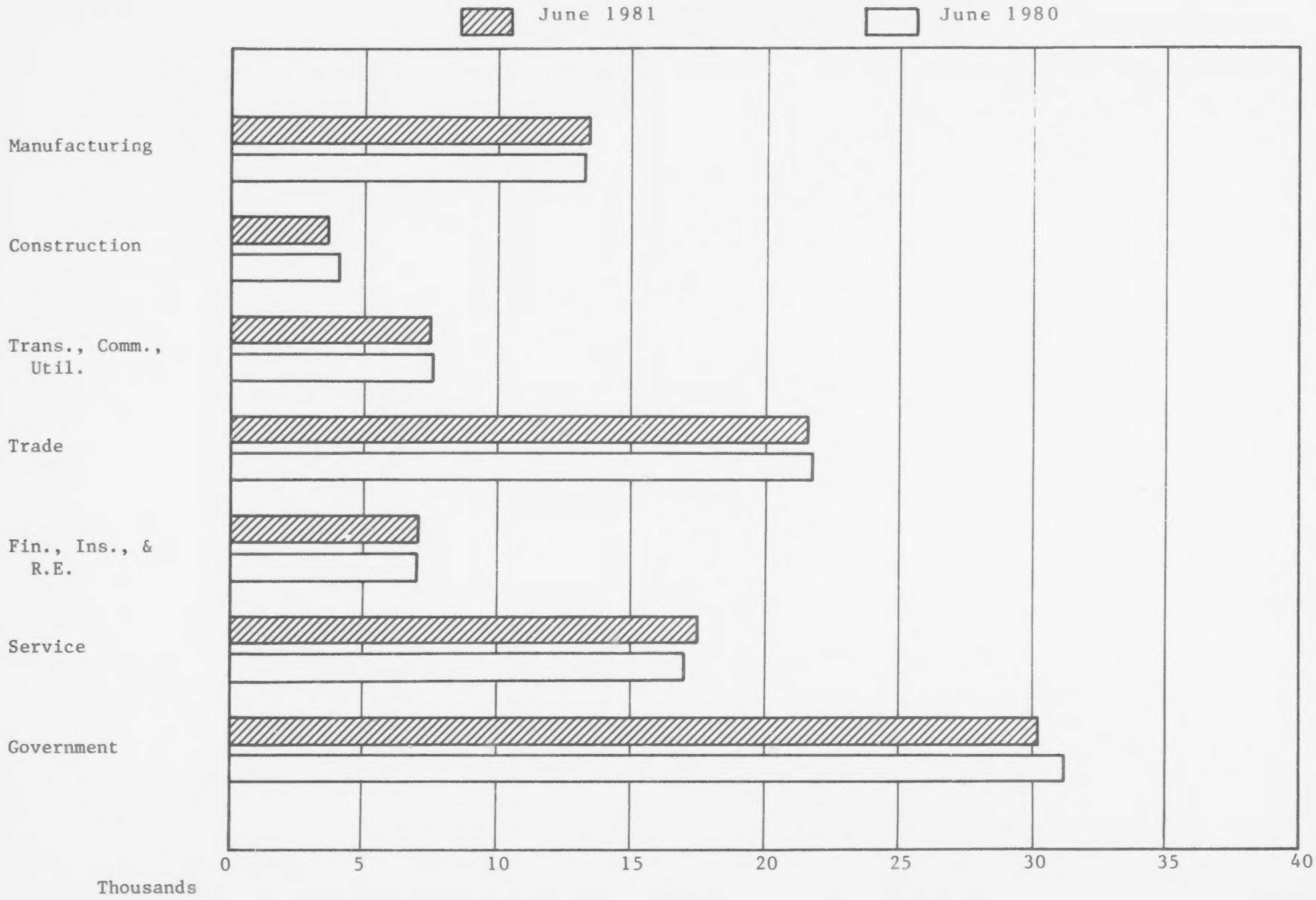

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LINCOLN SMSA [1] - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

June 1981 in review . . . . .

The Lincoln SMSA nonagricultural work force decreased by 493 from May 1981 to June 1981, including a drop of 102 in manufacturing and a decline of 391 in nonmanufacturing.

The dip of 102 in manufacturing included a drop of 187 in durable goods along with a small gain of 85 in nondurable goods. The major loss in durable goods was in electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-110). The largest gain in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (53).

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (215), finance-insurance-real estate (31), construction/mining (25), and transportation-communication-utilities (22).

Month-to-month decreases occurred in trade (-354) and in services (-328). The drop of 354 included a small gain of 21 in wholesale trade that was more than offset by a decline of 375 in retail trade. The major loss in retail trade was in eating and drinking places (-215). The chief drop in service was in educational services (-300), following customary seasonal trends.

Annual changes . . . . .

The Nebraska nonagricultural work force dropped by 1,167 from June 1980 to June 1981. This included a slight gain of 80 in manufacturing more than counter-balanced by a decline of 1,247 in nonmanufacturing.

The rise of 80 in manufacturing included an increase of 121 in durable goods and a small dip of 41 in nondurable goods. The major gain in durable goods was in electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (145).

Month-to-month increases occurred in services (457) and finance-insurance-real estate (40). The predominant increase in service occurred in three categories: hotels, motels and lodging places (153), amusement and recreation (131) and health services (110).

Month-to-month decreases occurred in government (-1,032), construction/mining (-430), trade (-190) and transportation-communication-utilities (-104). The major decrease in government occurred in state government (-986). The drop of 190 in trade included a dip of 11 in wholesale trade and a reduction of 179 in retail trade. The major loss in retail trade was in general merchandise stores (-344).

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ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING - LINCOLN SMSA

June 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jun 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	Jun 1980 3/	Jun 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	Jun 1980 3/	Jun 1981 2/	May 1981 3/	Jun 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$299.15	$295.29	$276.40	38.5	38.3	37.1	$7.77	$7.71	$7.45
Durable Goods	287.12	276.83	249.38	40.1	39.1	37.5	7.16	7.08	6.65
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	309.61	296.61	261.22	40.9	39.8	37.0	7.57	7.46	7.06
Nondurable Goods	309.04	312.08	296.17	37.1	37.6	36.7	8.33	8.30	8.07
Food and Kindred Products	332.10	337.55	292.47	41.0	42.3	39.1	8.10	7.98	7.48
Printing and Publishing	224.24	229.82	275.65	29.7	30.2	37.2	7.55	7.61	7.41

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program

2/ Preliminary

3/ Revised

Average weekly earnings in Lincoln SMSA manufacturing increased by $3.86 from May 1981 to June 1981, including a gain of $10.29 in durable goods more than offsetting a drop of $3.04 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $22.75, including an increase of $37.74 in durable goods and a gain of $12.87 in nondurable goods. Average weekly hours had a small month-to-month increase of 0.2 hours, and gained year-to-year by 1.4 hours. Average hourly earnings showed a month-to-month gain of $.06, and a year-to-year increase of $.32.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

June 1981

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
MALE	1,087	59.0
FEMALE	755	41.0
RACE/ETHNIC:		
WHITE	1,767	95.9
ALL OTHER RACES	75	4.1
AGE:		
UNDER 22	222	12.1
22 - 44	1,112	60.4
45 & OVER	508	27.5
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 OR LESS	857	46.5
5 - 14	618	33.6
15 & OVER	367	19.9

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, Technical and Managerial	427	23.2
Clerical & Sales	251	13.6
Service	183	9.9
Farm & Related	19	1.0
Processing	118	6.4
Machine Trades	59	3.2
Bench Work	88	4.8
Structural Work	543	29.5
Miscellaneous	154	8.4
INDUSTRY:		
Construction & Mining	417	22.6
Manufacturing	464	25.2
Durable Goods	191	10.4
Nondurable Goods	273	14.8
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	50	2.7
Trade (Wholesale & Retail)	344	18.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	50	2.7
Services	325	17.6
Government	82	4.5
INA	110	6.0

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Lincoln UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for June 1981 was 1,842. The Lincoln UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER area defined as Lancaster, Polk, Butler, York, Seward, Fillmore, Saline, Thayer, Jefferson and Gage counties.

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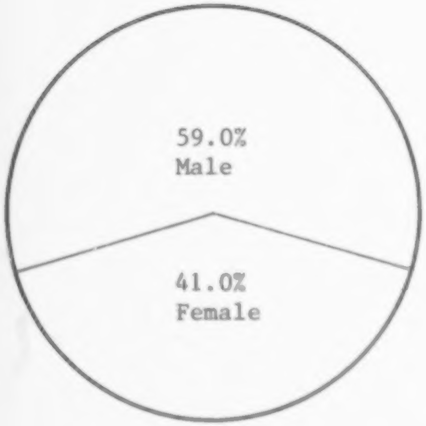
June 1981



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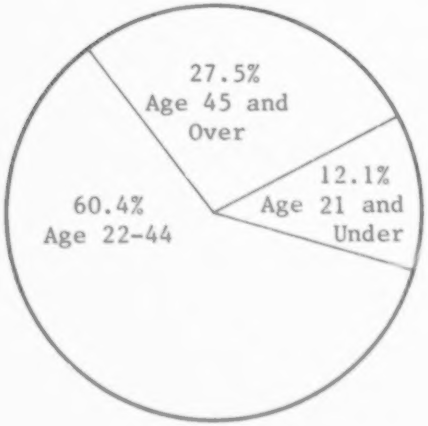

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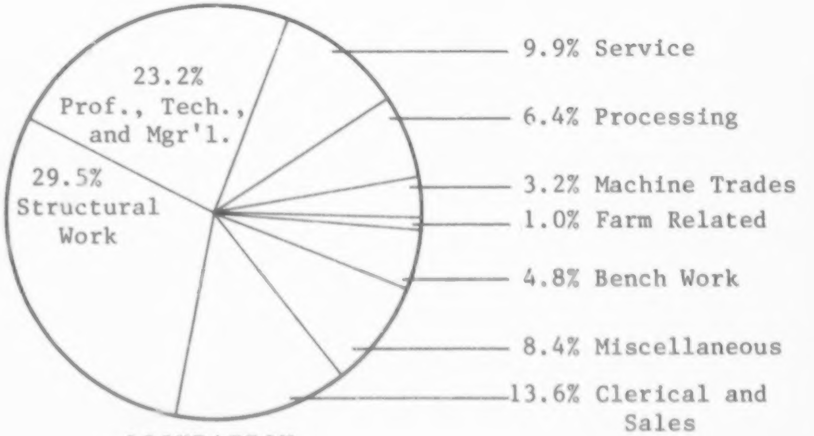

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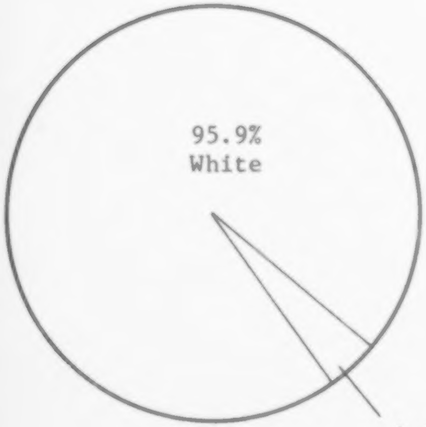

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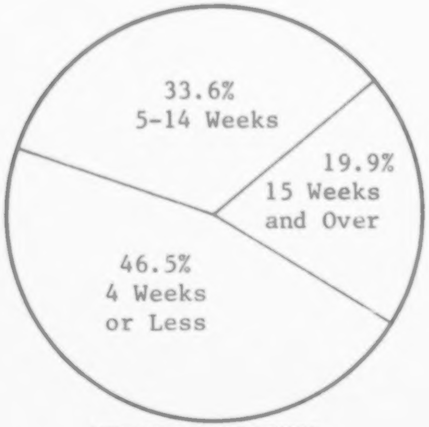

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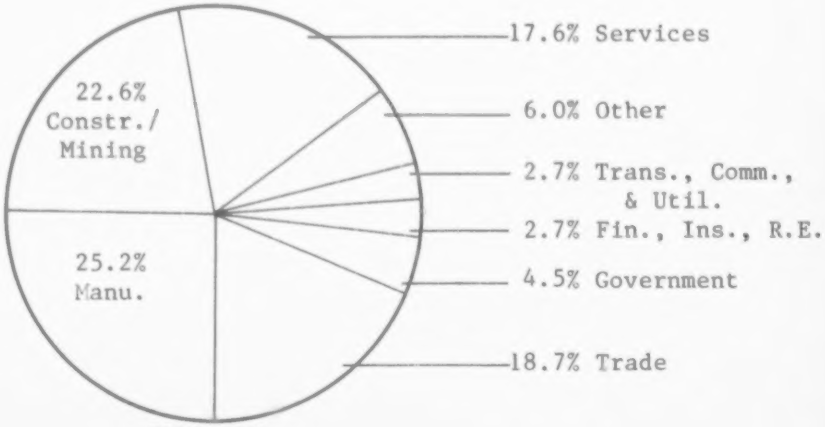

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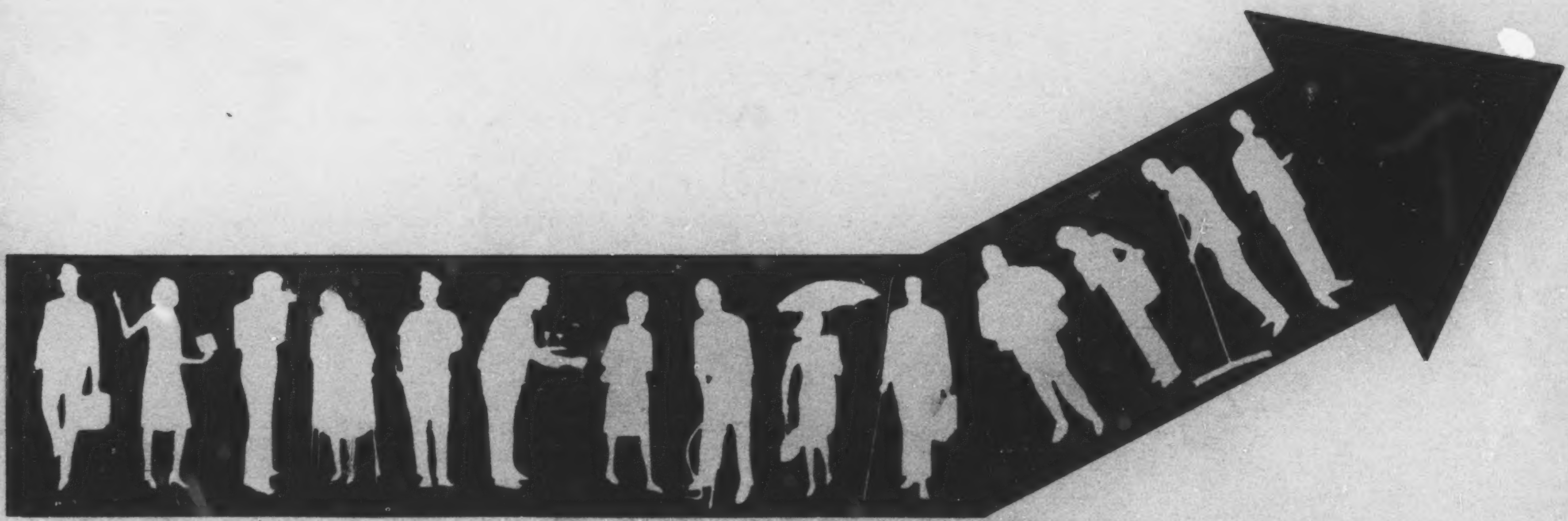

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Jul 1981	Jun 1981	Jul 1980	Jun 1981	Jul 1980
Civilian Labor Force	813,650	817,900	810,450	-4,250	3,200
Employment	783,200	785,350	779,250	-2,150	3,950
Nonagricultural	685,300	693,700	682,150	-8,400	3,150
Agricultural	97,900	91,650	97,100	6,250	800
Unemployment	30,450	32,550	31,220	-2,100	- 750
Unemployment Rate [2]	3.7	4.0	3.8	XXX	XXX

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[1] Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

[2] Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Nebraska civilian labor force dropped by 4,250 from June 1981 to July 1981, but gained by 3,200 from July 1980 to July 1981. Total employment decreased by 2,150 month-to-month and gained by 3,950 year-to-year.

Nonagricultural employment declined by 9,300 from June 1981 to July 1981, but gained by 3,900 from July 1980 to July 1981. Agricultural employment showed a gain of 7,150 month-to-month, and also had a very slight increase of 50 year-to-year.

Unemployment in Nebraska decreased by 2,100 from June 1981 to July 1981, reaching a new total of 30,450. Unemployment dropped by 2,100 from June 1981 to July 1981, and also decreased by 750 from July 1980 to July 1981. The unemployment rate dropped from 4.0 percent in June 1981 to 3.7 percent in July 1981, and compared to 3.8 percent in July 1980.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to decrease by 15,550 from July 1981 to August 1981, reaching a new total of 798,100. The unemployment segment is projected at 28,950. The employment segment is projected at 769,150.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA[1]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	July 1981 [2]	June 1981 [3]	July 1980 [3]	Change From: June 1981	Change From: July 1980	Percent Change From: July 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	629,045	638,468	624,257	-9,423	4,788	.8
MANUFACTURING	96,556	96,740	92,951	- 184	3,605	3.9
Durable Goods	49,077	49,596	47,315	- 519	1,762	3.7
Construction Material	4,959	4,944	4,869	15	90	1.8
Lumber & Wood Products, except Furniture	2,263	2,267	2,042	- 4	221	10.8
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	2,696	2,677	2,827	19	- 131	- 4.6
Furniture & Fixtures	1,625	1,619	1,739	6	- 114	- 6.6
Metals	9,064	9,039	8,675	25	389	4.5
Primary Metal Industries	1,987	1,906	1,560	81	427	27.4
Fabricated Metal Prod., except Mach. & Trans. Equip.	7,077	7,133	7,115	- 56	- 38	- .5
Machinery except Electrical	13,937	13,876	12,291	61	1,646	13.4
Farm Machinery & Equipment	7,597	7,580	7,148	17	449	6.3
Electrical & Electronic Machinery, Equip. & Supplies	9,511	9,559	9,823	- 48	- 312	- 3.2
Transportation Equipment	4,550	5,126	4,488	- 576	62	1.4
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	1,968	2,492	2,089	- 524	- 121	- 5.8
Other Durable Goods (including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	5,431	5,433	5,430	- 2	1	.0
Nondurable Goods	47,479	47,144	45,636	335	1,843	4.0
Food & Kindred Products	27,406	27,145	27,203	261	203	.7
Meat Products	13,859	13,734	13,294	125	565	4.3
Dairy Products	1,892	1,892	1,853	0	39	2.1
Grain Mill	4,909	4,758	4,969	151	- 60	- 1.2
Other Food Prod. (including Canned & Preserved Prod.; Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod.; Beverages; etc.)	6,746	6,761	7,087	- 15	- 341	- 4.8
Textile Products & Apparel	2,685	2,565	2,391	120	294	12.3
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	7,631	7,766	7,592	- 135	39	.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	2,628	2,651	2,617	- 23	11	.4
Other nondurable goods (including Rubber & Miscellaneous Products; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	7,129	6,926	5,833	203	1,296	22.2
NONMANUFACTURING	532,489	541,728	531,306	-9,239	1,183	.2
MINING	1,780	1,734	1,733	46	47	2.7
CONSTRUCTION	28,531	27,783	31,182	748	-2,651	- 8.5
Building Const.-Gen. Cont. & Operative Bldrs.	8,235	7,898	8,725	337	- 490	- 5.6
Construction other than Bldg. Const.-Gen. Contractors	5,794	5,822	7,412	- 28	-1,618	-21.8
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	14,502	14,063	15,045	439	- 543	- 3.6
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	47,642	47,480	48,013	162	- 371	- .8
Railroad Transportation	16,188	16,170	16,213	18	- 25	- .2
Other Transportation (including Buses & Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transp. & Warehousing; etc.)	14,846	14,816	14,511	30	335	2.3
Communication & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	16,608	16,557	16,858	51	- 250	- 1.5

INDUSTRY	July 1981 2/	June 1981 3/	July 1980 3/	Change From: June 1981	Change From: July 1980	Percent Change From: July 1980
TRADE	165,021	165,262	165,516	- 241	- 495	- .3
Wholesale	49,872	49,787	50,488	85	- 616	- 1.2
Durable Goods	25,255	25,124	24,978	131	277	1.1
Nondurable Goods	24,617	24,663	25,510	- 46	- 893	- 3.5
Retail	115,149	115,475	115,028	- 326	121	.1
Bldg. Mat.; Hardware; Garden Supply & Mobile Home Dealers	6,703	6,778	7,039	- 75	- 336	- 4.8
General Merchandise Stores	15,006	15,133	15,787	- 127	- 781	- 4.9
Food Stores	15,797	15,610	15,568	187	229	1.5
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	15,397	15,463	15,935	- 66	- 538	- 3.4
Apparel & Accessory Stores	6,583	6,474	6,203	109	380	6.1
Furniture; Home Furnishings; & Equipment Stores	4,148	4,129	4,029	19	119	3.0
Eating & Drinking Places	39,126	39,442	38,428	- 316	698	1.8
Miscellaneous Retail	12,389	12,446	12,039	- 57	350	2.9
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	3,568	3,590	3,519	- 22	49	1.4
Other Misc. Retail (including Liquor Stores; Sporting Goods Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	8,821	8,856	8,520	- 35	301	3.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	43,830	43,781	42,997	49	833	1.9
Banking	11,004	11,056	10,894	- 52	110	1.0
Insurance	21,097	21,017	20,836	80	261	1.3
Real Estate	4,683	4,696	4,692	- 13	- 9	- .2
Other Finance; Ins.; & Real Estate (including Credit Agencies other than Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. & Svs.; etc.)	7,046	7,012	6,575	34	471	7.2
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	120,766	122,032	118,272	-1,266	2,494	2.1
Hotels; Rooming Houses; Camps & Other Lodging Places	7,274	7,145	7,279	129	- 5	- .1
Personal Services	6,095	6,153	6,343	- 58	- 248	- 3.9
Business Services	17,109	17,141	16,170	- 32	939	5.8
Automotive Repair; Services; & Garages	3,828	3,843	3,798	- 15	30	.8
Amusement & Recreation	7,710	7,943	6,712	- 233	998	14.9
Health Services	43,956	44,180	42,292	- 224	1,664	3.9
Educational Services	6,492	7,121	7,162	- 629	- 670	- 9.4
Social Services	5,835	5,853	6,167	- 18	- 332	- 5.4
Membership Services	9,195	9,261	9,759	- 66	- 564	- 5.8
Other Services (including Legal & Other Prof. Servs.; Misc. Repair Services; Agricultural Services; etc.)	13,272	13,392	12,590	- 120	682	5.4
GOVERNMENT	124,919	133,656	123,593	-8,737	1,326	1.1
Federal	16,194	16,070	17,000	124	- 806	- 4.7
State	30,254	34,303	30,114	-4,049	140	.5
Local	78,471	83,283	76,479	-4,812	1,992	2.6

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
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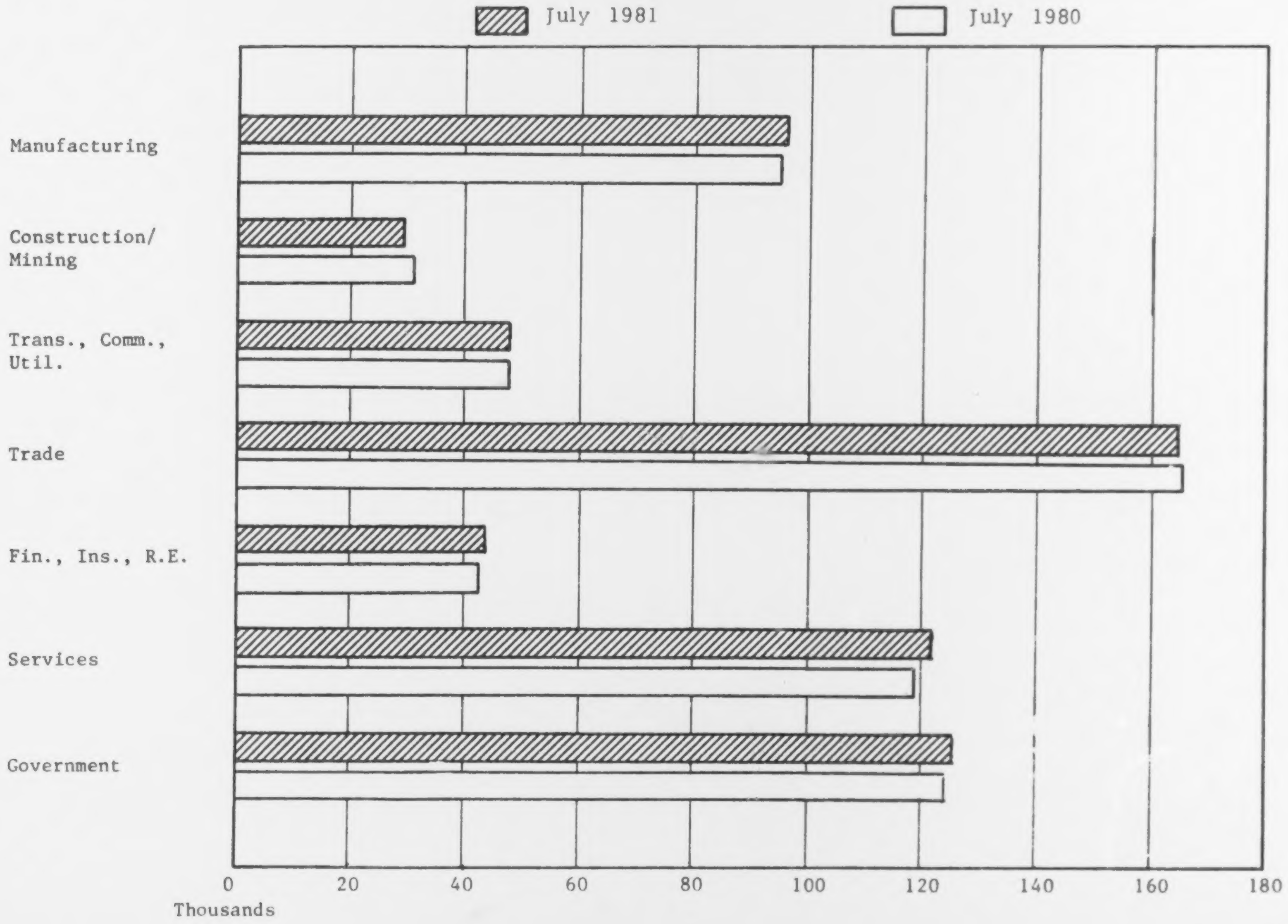
NEBRASKA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



NEBRASKA - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

July 1981 in Review . . . . .

The Nebraska nonagricultural work force decreased by 9,243 from June 1981 to July 1981. This included a small drop of 184 in manufacturing and a decline of 9,239 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease of 184 in manufacturing included a dip of 519 in durable goods and a gain of 335 in nondurable goods. The major decrease in durable goods occurred in transportation equipment (-576). The chief gainer in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (261).

Month-to-month increases occurred in construction/mining (794), transportation-communication-utilities (162), and finance-insurance-real estate (49).

Month-to-month decreases occurred in government (-8,737), services (-1,266), and trade (-241). The month-to-month decrease in state and local government employment occurred primarily as a result of customary seasonal reductions in educational services. Nearly one-half of the drop in services occurred in educational services (-629). The decrease of 241 in trade included a rise of 85 in wholesale trade, along with a drop of 326 in retail trade. The major decrease in retail trade was in eating and drinking places (-316).

Annual Changes . . . . .

The Nebraska nonagricultural work force increased by 4,788 from July 1980 to July 1981. This included a gain of 3,605 in manufacturing and an increase of 1,183 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 3,605 in manufacturing included a rise of 1,762 in durable goods and an increase of 1,843 in nonmanufacturing. The major increase in durable goods was in machinery except electrical (1,646). The primary increase in nondurable goods was in other nondurable goods including paper and allied products, petroleum refining and related, rubber and miscellaneous plastics and leather and leather products).

Other year-to-year increases included services (2,494), government (1,326), and finance-insurance-real estate (833). The largest gain in services occurred in health services (1,664). The primary increase in government was in local government (1,992).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in construction/mining (-2,604), trade (-495), and transportation-communication-utilities (-371). The decrease of 495 in trade included a drop of 616 in wholesale trade, along with a small rise of 121 in retail trade.

Outlook . . . . .

The work force outlook for September 1981 is projected as showing moderate seasonal increases in trade and government, along with a small gain in services. Slight decreases are anticipated in construction/mining and finance-insurance-real estate. Agriculture is expected to experience a substantial drop, following customary seasonal trends. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in manufacturing and transportation-communication-utilities.

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES [1/]

July 1981 (Revised)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment [2/] Rate
Adams	16,536	16,140	396	2.4
Antelope	4,551	4,427	124	2.7
Arthur	275	268	7	2.5
Banner	433	427	6	1.4
Blaine	274	266	8	2.9
Boone	4,360	4,256	104	2.4
Box Butte	9,531	9,374	157	1.6
Boyd	1,754	1,722	32	1.8
Brown	2,063	2,027	36	1.7
Buffalo	20,032	19,586	446	2.2
Burt	4,668	4,507	161	3.4
Butler	4,313	4,165	148	3.4
Cass	8,611	8,226	385	4.5
Cedar	5,349	5,165	184	3.4
Chase	2,470	2,436	34	1.4
Cherry	3,410	3,346	64	1.9
Cheyenne	5,283	5,148	135	2.6
Clay	3,897	3,784	113	2.9
Colfax	5,237	5,098	139	2.7
Cuming	6,307	6,141	166	2.6
Custer	6,956	6,874	82	1.2
Dakota	7,682	7,255	427	5.6
Dawes	4,237	4,173	64	1.5
Dawson	12,342	12,010	337	2.7
Deuel	1,196	1,183	13	1.1
Dixon	3,703	3,637	66	1.8
Dodge	21,275	20,159	1,116	5.2
Douglas	211,263	200,697	10,566	5.0
Dundy	1,188	1,176	12	1.0
Fillmore	3,992	3,910	82	2.1
Franklin	2,143	2,117	26	1.2

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES 1/

July 1981 (Revised)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment 2/ Rate
Frontier	1,985	1,949	36	1.8
Furnas	2,939	2,895	44	1.5
Gage	11,644	11,283	361	3.1
Garden	1,159	1,127	32	2.8
Garfield	1,535	1,512	23	1.5
Gosper	1,065	1,055	10	0.9
Grant	419	412	7	1.7
Greeley	1,667	1,636	31	1.9
Hall	23,615	22,688	927	3.9
Hamilton	5,866	5,679	187	3.2
Harlan	2,196	2,135	61	2.8
Hayes	600	592	8	1.3
Hitchcock	1,925	1,876	49	2.5
Holt	5,836	5,634	202	3.5
Hooker	472	462	10	2.1
Howard	2,893	2,808	85	2.9
Jefferson	5,283	5,158	125	2.4
Johnson	2,935	2,592	343	11.7
Kearney	3,840	3,774	66	1.7
Keith	4,794	4,659	135	2.8
Keya Paha	516	510	6	1.2
Kimball	2,901	2,814	87	3.0
Knox	5,500	5,323	177	3.2
Lancaster	112,986	108,852	4,134	3.7
Lincoln	18,521	17,825	696	3.8
Logan	621	613	8	1.3
Loup	316	307	9	2.8
McPherson	210	207	3	1.4
Madison	16,933	16,339	594	3.5
Merrick	3,511	3,382	129	3.7
Morrill	2,594	2,528	66	2.5

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES [1]

July 1981 (Revised)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate [2]
Nance	1,970	1,890	80	4.1
Nemaha	3,492	3,247	245	7.0
Nuckolls	3,384	3,321	63	1.9
Otoe	8,580	8,194	386	4.5
Pawnee	2,199	2,081	118	5.4
Perkins	1,733	1,704	29	1.7
Phelps	5,295	5,241	54	1.0
Pierce	4,265	4,152	113	2.6
Platte	15,389	14,829	560	3.6
Polk	3,290	3,214	76	2.3
Red Willow	5,922	5,768	154	2.6
Richardson	5,265	4,987	278	5.3
Rock	1,376	1,358	18	1.3
Saline	6,924	6,793	131	1.9
Sarpy	43,009	41,713	1,296	3.0
Saunders	7,826	7,493	333	4.3
Scotts Bluff	22,452	21,627	825	3.7
Seward	7,140	6,981	159	2.2
Sheridan	3,593	3,527	66	1.8
Sherman	2,354	2,282	72	3.1
Sioux	826	819	7	0.8
Stanton	3,607	3,630	77	2.1
Thayer	3,675	3,587	88	2.4
Thomas	442	435	7	1.6
Thurston	3,586	3,309	277	7.7
Valley	2,769	2,710	59	2.1
Washington	5,924	5,661	263	4.4
Wayne	5,339	5,230	109	2.0
Webster	2,156	2,140	16	0.7
Wheeler	456	449	7	1.5
York	8,813	8,474	339	3.8

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[1] Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

[2] Ratios of unemployment to the total civilian labor force.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

July 1981

	Applicants Available FY to date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings			Appts/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfill.Open End.-of-mo.	Unf. open. 30 days + % of total
			Received FY to date 2/	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more			
TOTAL 3/	116,756	32,503	46,756	4,776	3,426	2.50	6.81	71.7
0-1 Professional, technical and managerial	12,108	3,449	3,386	1,597	1,412	3.58	2.16	88.4
2 Clerical and sales	29,583	7,851	9,915	1,836	1,427	2.98	4.28	77.7
Entry codes 4/	5,604	1,414	--	--	--	--	--	--
20-24 Clerical	18,324	4,964	7,665	1,594	1,267	2.38	3.11	79.5
25-29 Sales	5,655	1,473	2,250	242	160	2.51	6.09	66.1
3 Service	19,345	5,935	9,703	543	159	1.99	10.93	29.3
Entry codes 4/	3,095	880	--	--	--	--	--	--
30 Domestic	1,223	408	1,900	33	14	0.64	12.36	42.4
31-39 Other	15,027	4,647	7,803	510	145	1.93	9.11	28.4
4 Farm, forestry, fisheries	6,204	805	3,594	61	10	1.73	13.20	16.4
5 Processing	2,812	775	2,004	14	5	1.40	55.36	35.7
6 Machine trades	5,583	1,583	1,554	90	40	3.59	17.59	44.4
7 Bench work	5,196	1,349	1,385	86	27	3.75	15.69	31.4
8 Structural work	14,069	3,893	4,977	210	73	2.83	18.54	34.8
9 Miscellaneous	15,671	4,693	10,222	107	42	1.53	43.86	39.3
Entry codes 4/	2,730	774	--	--	--	--	--	--
90-91 Motor freight, transportation	5,688	1,734	3,735	51	20	1.52	34.00	39.2
92 Packaging, materials handling	6,722	2,055	6,140	43	14	1.09	47.79	32.6
93-97 Other 5/	531	130	347	13	8	1.53	10.00	61.5

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

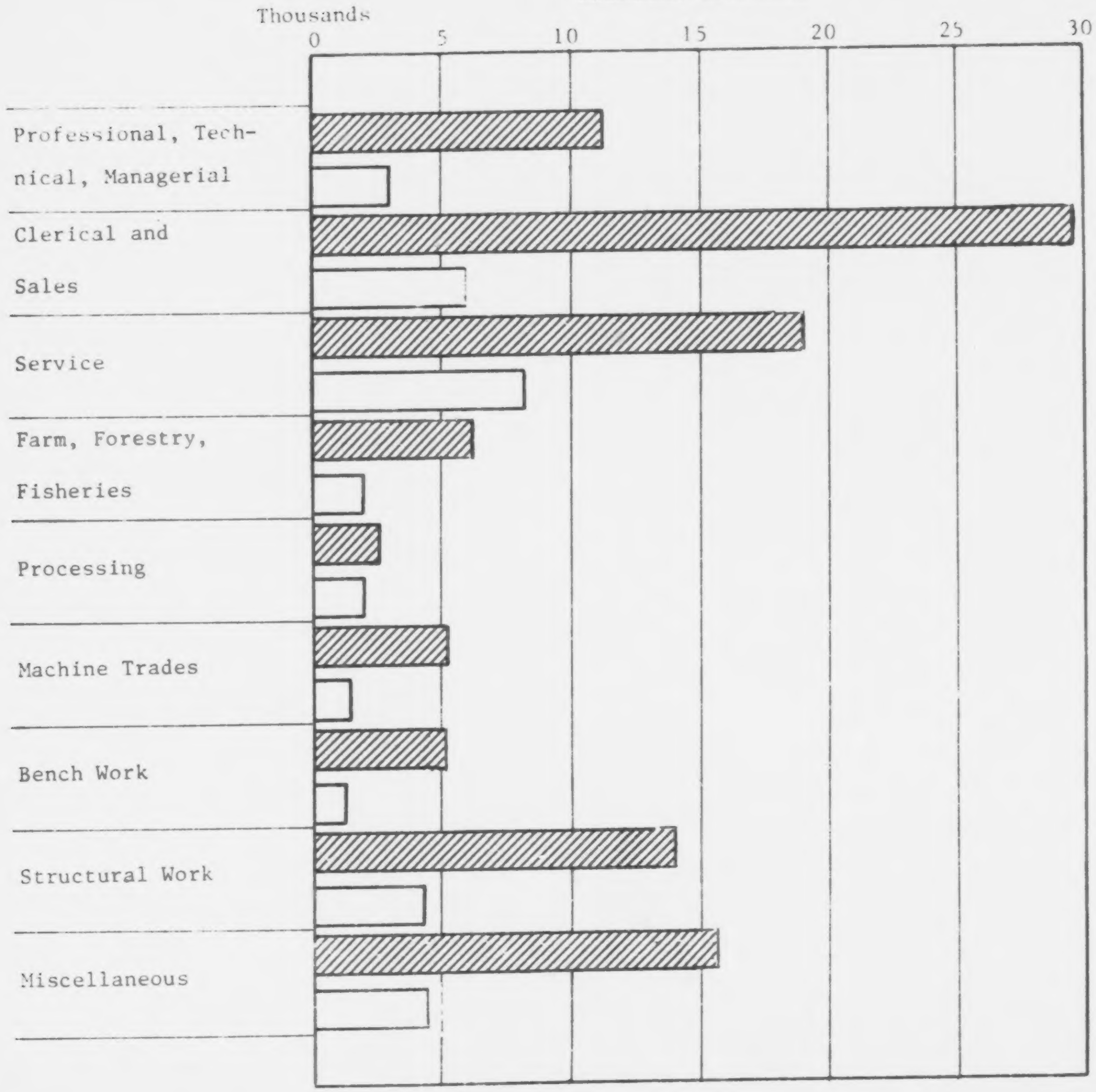
2/ Period covered: 10-1-80 through 7-31-81. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

Worker Supply and Employer Demand By Industry



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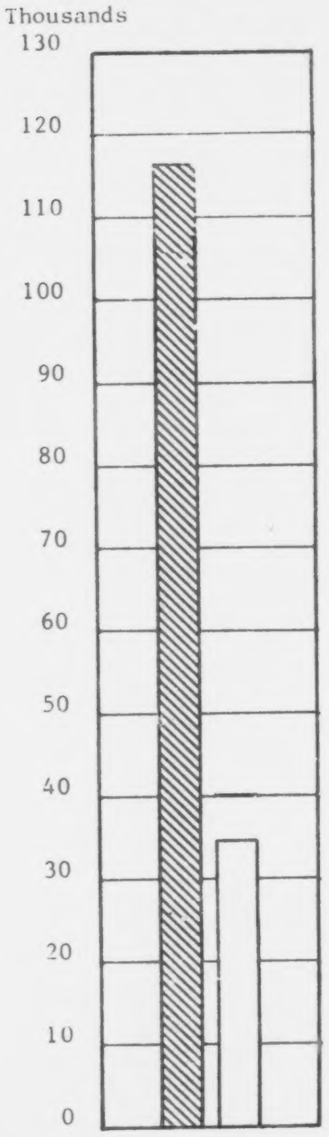

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☐ Job Openings

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

By Occupation

July 1981

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	2,637	2,834	$ 9,754/yr	$ 9,948/yr	1,323	1,325	561	648
Professional, Technical, and Managerial	546	632	$13,236/yr	$12,646/yr	415	497	248	300
Clerical and Sales	781	804	$ 8,514/yr	$ 8,461/yr	422	403	176	170
Service	420	393	$ 3.79/hr	$ 3.74/hr	172	120	31	53
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and Related	44	51	$ 4.06/hr	$ 3.91/hr	10	10	1	3
Processing	119	138	$ 5.15/hr	$ 5.08/hr	12	14	4	4
Machine Trades	162	159	$ 5.29/hr	$ 5.23/hr	71	67	23	31
Bench Work	137	110	$ 3.78/hr	$ 3.96/hr	70	55	15	31
Structural Work	239	267	$ 5.04/hr	$ 4.92/hr	90	91	39	32
Miscellaneous	189	280	$ 4.34/hr	$ 5.25/hr	61	68	24	24

1/ Source of Data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

July 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jul 1981 2/	Jun 1981 3/	Jul 1980 3/	Jul 1981 2/	Jun 1981 3/	Jul 1980 3/	Jul 1981 2/	Jun 1981 3/	Jul 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$310.08	$323.57	$295.07	39.3	40.7	39.5	$7.89	$7.95	$7.47
Durable Goods	314.36	321.47	281.35	40.2	40.9	38.7	7.82	7.86	7.27
Lumber, Stone, Clay, Glass Products	299.29	293.94	251.07	41.8	41.4	40.3	7.16	7.10	6.23
Primary and Fabricated Metals	320.40	336.17	305.94	39.9	41.4	38.1	8.03	8.12	8.03
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	337.37	342.36	299.54	40.5	41.1	38.6	8.33	8.33	7.76
Nondurable Goods	306.05	326.42	310.27	38.4	40.6	40.4	7.97	8.04	7.68
Food and Kindred Products	332.35	371.92	348.57	38.6	42.7	42.2	8.61	8.71	8.26
Meat Products	329.47	392.70	369.33	35.2	41.6	40.9	9.36	9.44	9.03
Dairy Products	254.61	265.82	213.73	41.0	41.6	37.3	6.21	6.39	5.73
Grain Mill Products	433.71	436.89	448.80	47.4	47.8	51.0	9.15	9.14	8.80
Bakery Products	282.31	292.99	256.78	35.6	36.9	34.7	7.93	7.94	7.40
Other Food and Kindred Products	263.16	282.48	241.80	40.3	42.8	40.1	6.53	6.60	6.03
Printing and Publishing	268.63	250.27	255.25	36.9	35.2	37.1	7.28	7.11	6.88
Chemicals and Allied Products	327.56	320.30	300.22	43.5	42.2	43.7	7.53	7.59	6.87

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing decreased by $13.49 from June 1981 to July 1981. During that period, durable goods dropped by $7.11, and nondurable goods decreased by $20.37. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $15.01, including a gain of $33.01 in durable goods along with a decrease of $4.22 in nondurable goods. Average weekly hours dropped by 1.4 hours, month-to-month, and also dipped by 0.2 hours year-to-year.

Average hourly earnings declined slightly from June 1981 to July 1981: $.06, but gained by $.42 from July 1980 to July 1981.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

June 1981

	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
INDUSTRY	Jun2/ 1981	May3/ 1981	Jun3/ 1980	Jun2/ 1981	May3/ 1981	Jun3/ 1980	Jun2/ 1981	May3/ 1981	Jun3/ 1980	Jun2/ 1981	May3/ 1981	Jun3/ 1980	Jun2/ 1981	May3/ 1981	Jun3/ 1980
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	39	40	32	29	29	22	29	31	37	16	16	14	7	9	14
Durable Goods	30	34	26	23	26	17	24	30	41	12	14	12	6	9	18
Lumber, Stone, Clay, Glass Prod.	35	36	63	25	30	37	21	36	30	15	23	19	1	3	3
Furniture and Fixtures	7	13	23	5	13	23	20	19	16	14	17	9	4/	4/	4/
Primary and Fabr. Metals	31	36	21	23	26	12	29	37	52	11	12	12	13	18	35
Machinery and Trans. Equip.	29	38	18	24	29	11	26	27	43	11	12	10	7	9	17
Other Durable Goods	33	18	49	24	15	36	19	35	34	13	20	19	1	6	10
Nondurable Goods	49	46	38	36	33	28	35	33	33	21	18	17	8	10	10
Food and Kindred Products	52	56	46	38	36	34	38	34	30	22	19	17	10	10	7
Meat Products	51	49	35	33	33	25	39	26	31	22	19	19	11	3	8
Dairy Products	20	30	29	17	22	23	38	22	15	13	22	15	20	4/	4/
Grain Mill Products	63	83	62	56	40	57	33	20	24	21	11	6	8	4	9
Bakery Products	61	78	44	46	50	36	43	37	40	24	31	26	3	4/	4/
Other Food and Kindred Prod.	55	52	71	39	42	44	41	78	38	26	22	22	10	47	9
Textiles and Apparel	94	62	25	77	58	25	41	52	37	35	37	25	4/	8	6
Paper and Allied Products	42	24	35	24	19	17	32	39	18	19	17	15	9	18	4/
Printing and Publishing	40	40	27	34	38	24	28	19	27	20	14	20	2	4/	1
Chemicals and Allied Products	25	12	19	23	11	17	19	51	18	9	6	9	7	44	4
Petroleum, Rubber, Plastic Products and Leather	40	23	23	16	15	6	34	23	68	19	12	8	5	4	51

1/ Source of Data: Labor Turnover Program (NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.)

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Revised.

4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing decreased from 40 per 1,000 workers in May 1981 to 39 per 1,000 workers in June 1981. Durable goods dropped from 34 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000, month-to-month. Nondurable goods on the other hand, increased from 46 per 1,000 in May 1981 to 49 per 1,000 in June 1981. Year-to-year, accessions increased from 32 per 1,000 to 39 per 1,000, with durable goods increasing from 26 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000, and nondurable goods increasing from 38 per 1,000 to 49 per 1,000. Separations dropped from 31 per 1,000 to 29 per 1,000 month-to-month, and also declined from 37 per 1,000 to 29 per 1,000 year-to-year.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

July 1981

	July 1981	June 1981	July 1980
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	6,081	6,475	7,776
Weeks Claimed	41,911	44,738	55,391
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments From UI Funds	$ 3,100,771	$ 3,369,012	$ 4,071,664
Calendar Year To Date	$29,477,053	$26,376,282	$28,852,524
Average Size Of Weekly Payments	$90.41	$90.66	$89.03
First Payments	3,010	3,056	3,669
Exhaustions	1,059	1,190	1,164
Individuals Who Drew Benefits	12,202	11,212	14,994
Rate Of Insured Unemployment	1.7	1.6	2.1
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments From UCFE Funds	$ 66,050	$ 76,030	$ 77,823
Average Size Of Weekly Payments	$73.15	$74.69	$75.48
First Payments	62	63	76
Exhaustions	24	30	20
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments From UCX Funds	$ 31,838	$ 31,566	$ 47,622
Average Size Of Weekly Payments	$90.71	$90.19	$83.40
First Payments	34	23	50
Exhaustions	2	7	1
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject Employers - End Of Month	36,755	36,713	36,043
Contributions Received	$ 6,366,012	$ 311,760	$ 2,674,066
FINANCIAL DATA			
End Of Month Fund Balance	$34,859,469	$84,784,041	$24,162,011

UI initial claims in area claims centers decreased from 6,475 in June 1981 to 6,081 in July 1981. Weeks claimed decreased from 44,738 in June 1981 to 41,911 in July 1981.

UI benefits paid decreased from 3.4 million in June 1981 to 3.1 million in July 1981.

The number of insured unemployed increased from 9,284 in June to 9,878 in July 1981. The rate of insured unemployment increased from 1.6% in June to 1.7% in July 1981.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 34.9 million compared to 24.2 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 88.1 million compared to 79.2 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

July 1981

SEX:	Amount	Percent of Total
Male	5,212	58.0
Female	3,777	42.0
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	7,947	88.4
All other races	1,042	11.6
AGE:		
Under 22	1,226	13.6
22 - 44	5,656	63.0
45 and over	2,105	23.4
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	3,931	43.7
5 - 14	3,842	42.7
15 and over	1,216	13.6

OCCUPATION:	Amount	Percent of Total
Professional, Technical and Managerial	2,219	24.8
Clerical and Sales	1,518	16.9
Service	866	9.7
Farm and Related	67	.7
Processing	504	5.6
Machine Trades	437	4.9
Bench Work	373	4.2
Structural Work	1,861	20.8
Miscellaneous	1,111	12.4
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	1,494	16.7
Manufacturing	2,267	25.3
Durable Goods	1,028	11.5
Nondurable Goods	1,239	13.8
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	489	5.5
Trade (Wholesale and Retail)	1,957	21.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	272	3.0
Services	1,522	17.0
Government	248	2.8
Other	700	7.8

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for July 1981 was 8,989.

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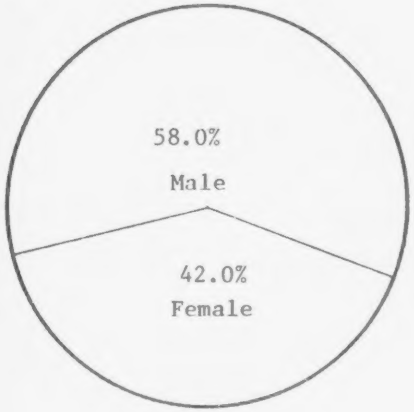
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED

JULY 1981



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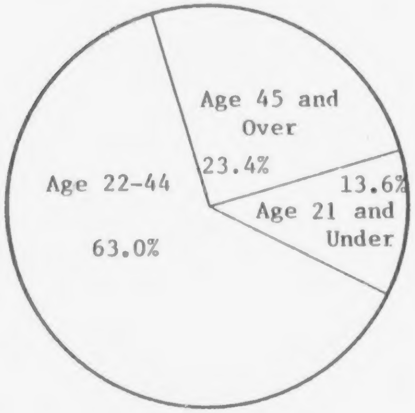

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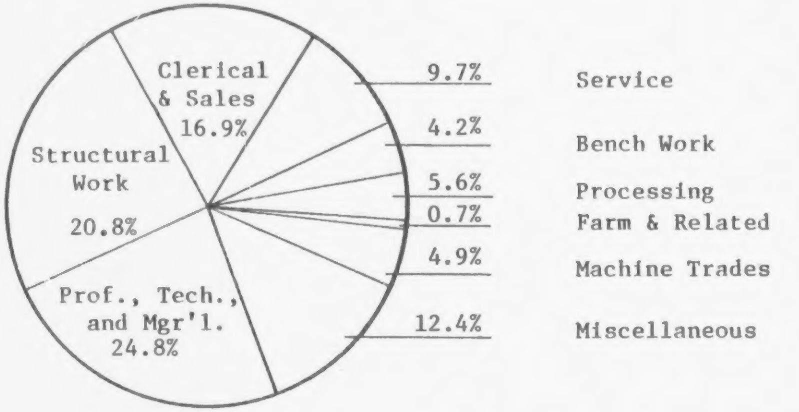

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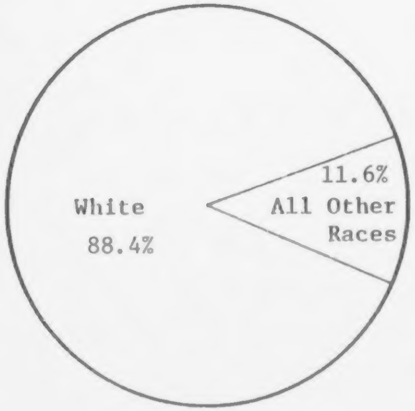

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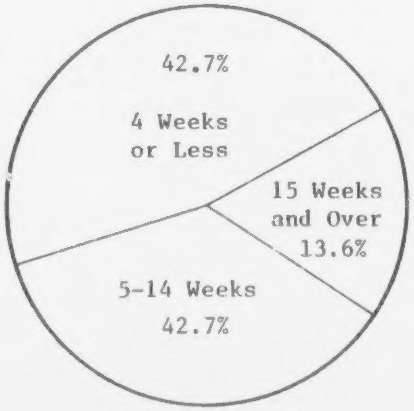

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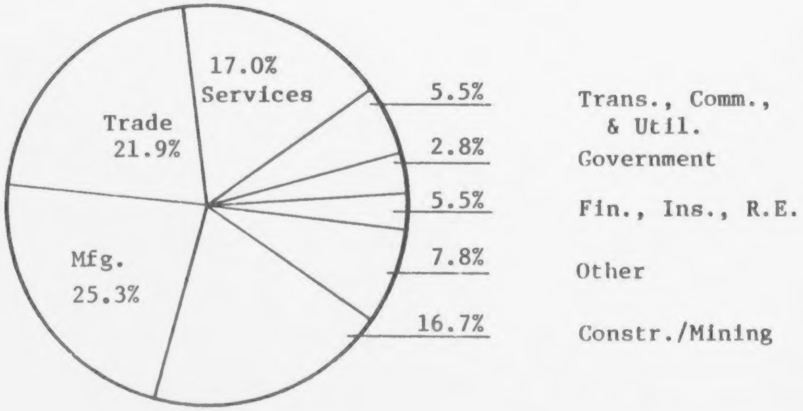

INDUSTRY

STATE SUMMARY OF INITIAL CLAIMS
BY MONTH

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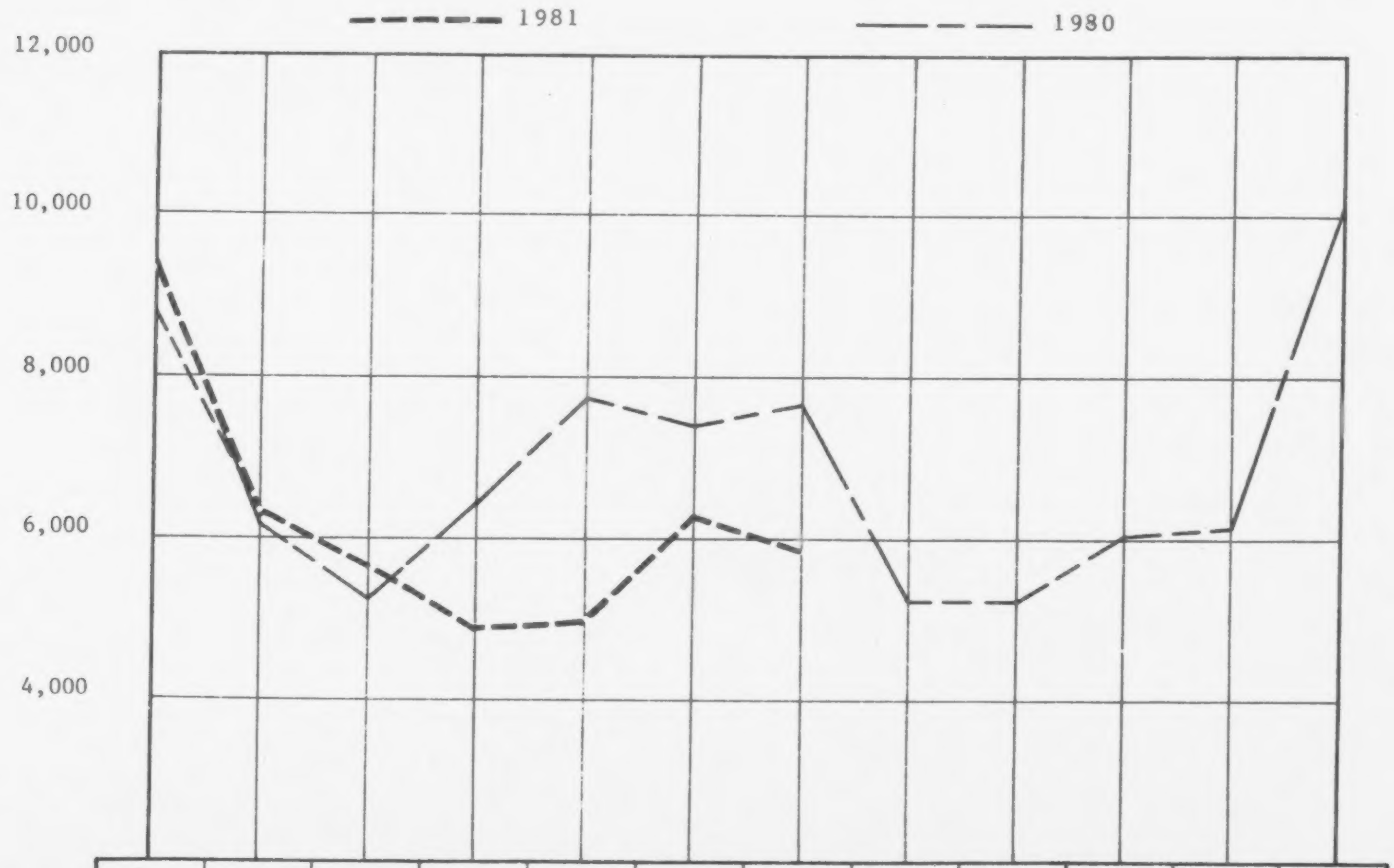

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1980	9,343	6,188	5,266	6,486	7,734	7,397	7,642	5,221	5,224	6,028	6,143	10,092
1981	8,744	6,339	5,622	4,886	4,951	6,294	5,963					

STATE SUMMARY OF CONTINUED CLAIMS
BY MONTH

Unemployment Insurance Only
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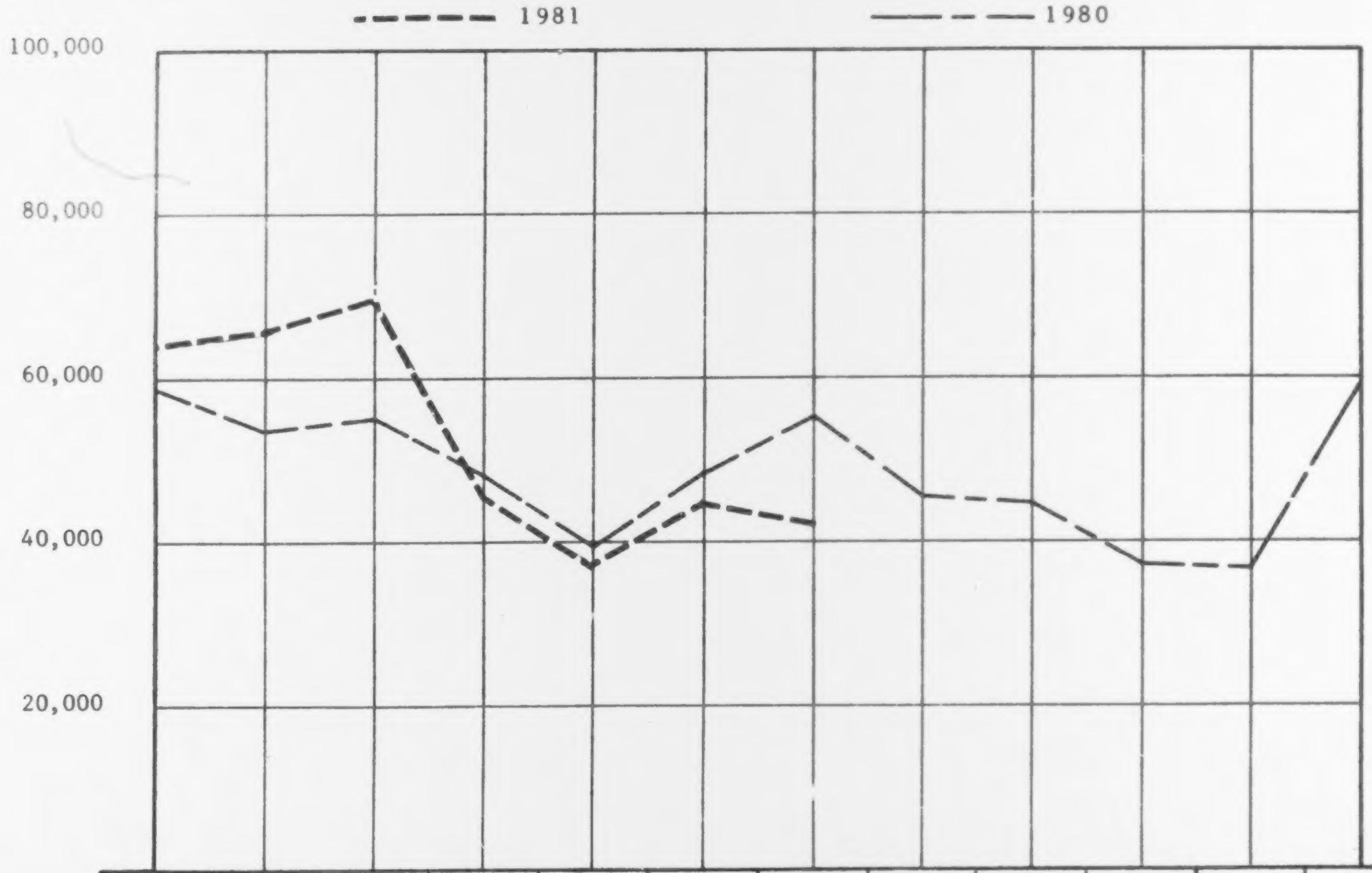

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1980	58,975	53,891	55,127	48,414	39,600	48,265	55,391	45,529	44,770	37,288	36,860	59,010
1981	63,974	65,687	69,871	45,545	37,336	44,738	41,911					

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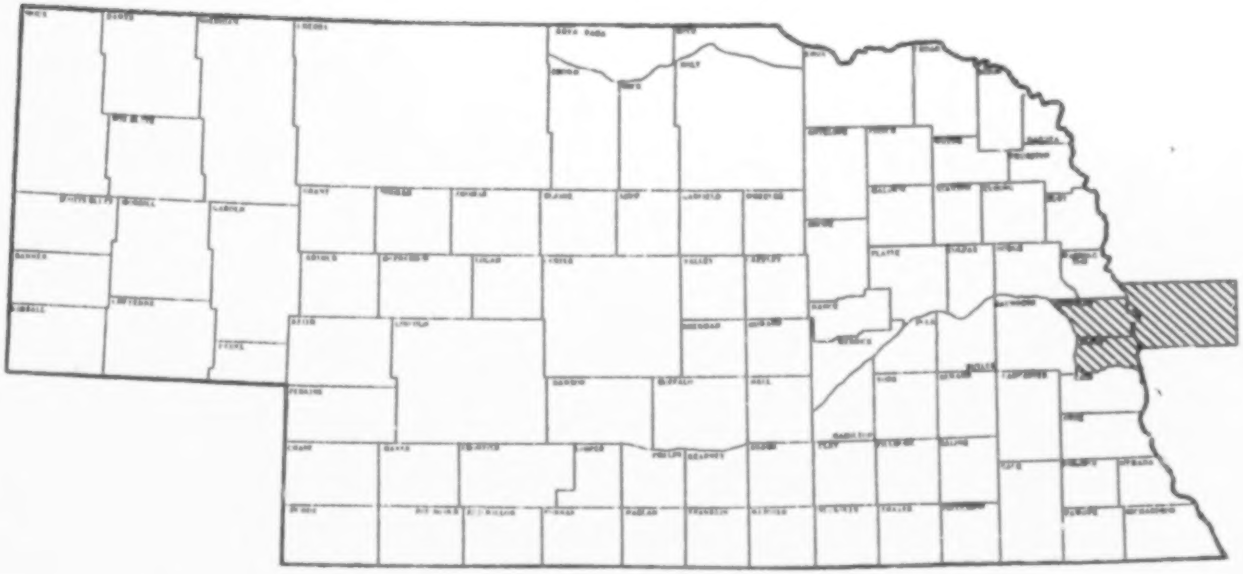
OMAHA STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA



The Omaha Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area consists of Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska, and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.

OMAHA SMSA[1]

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA[2]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Jul 1981	Jun 1981	Jul 1980	Jun 1980	Jul 1980
Civilian Labor Force	284,400	289,250	284,300	-4,850	100
Employment	271,800	275,400	269,800	-3,600	2,000
Nonagricultural	267,400	271,200	265,450	-3,800	1,950
Agricultural	4,400	4,200	4,350	200	50
Unemployment	12,600	13,850	14,500	-1,250	-1,900
Unemployment Rate[3]	4.4	4.8	5.1	XXX	XXX

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[1] Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 243,700 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,700 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

[2] The above estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

[3] Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based on unrounded data.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Omaha SMSA civilian labor force decreased by 4,850 from June 1981 to July 1981, but showed a small increase of 100 from July 1980 to July 1981. Total employment dropped by 3,600 month-to-month, but increased by 2,000 year-to-year. From June 1981 to July 1981, nonagricultural employment decreased by 3,800, while agricultural employment had a slight gain of 200. Year-to-year, nonagricultural employment rose 1,950, and agricultural employment had a very tiny increase of 50.

Unemployment in the Omaha SMSA dropped by 1,250 from June 1981 to July 1981, and also showed a decrease of 1,900 from July 1980 to July 1981. The unemployment rate moved downward from 4.8 percent in June 1981 to 4.4 percent in July 1981, and compared to 5.1 percent in July 1980.

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ESTIMATES OF OMAHA SMSA 1/ NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 2/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	July 1981 3/	June 1981 4/	July 1980 4/	Change From: June 1981	Change From: July 1980	Percent Change From: July 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	263,833	267,581	261,592	- 3,478	2,511	1.0
MANUFACTURING	35,786	35,591	35,103	195	683	1.9
Durable Goods	18,353	18,387	17,796	- 34	557	3.1
Construction Material	1,164	1,141	1,100	23	64	5.8
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	370	370	333	0	37	11.1
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	794	771	767	23	27	3.5
Furniture & Fixtures	1,440	1,396	1,544	44	- 104	- 6.7
Metals	3,090	3,143	2,910	- 53	180	6.2
Primary Metal Industries	1,002	1,012	1,051	- 10	- 49	- 4.7
Fabricated Metal Prod., except Mach. & Transp. Equip.	2,088	2,131	1,859	- 43	229	12.3
Machinery except Electrical	5,615	5,608	4,933	7	682	13.8
Farm Machinery & Equipment	1,751	1,751	1,549	0	202	13.0
Electrical & Electronic Mach., Equip. & Supplies	4,459	4,494	4,855	- 35	- 396	- 8.2
Transportation Equipment	1,027	1,043	957	- 16	70	7.3
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	775	792	737	- 17	38	5.2
Other Durable Goods (including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	1,558	1,562	1,497	- 4	61	4.1
Nondurable Goods	17,433	17,204	17,307	229	126	.7
Food & Kindred Products	9,343	9,217	9,432	126	- 89	- .9
Meat Products	3,611	3,593	3,540	18	71	2.0
Dairy Products	549	553	559	- 4	- 10	- 1.8
Grain Mill	1,999	1,917	1,830	82	169	9.2
Other Food Prod. (including Canned & Preserved Prod., Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod.; Beverages; etc.)	3,184	3,154	3,503	30	- 319	- 9.1
Textile Products & Apparel	631	689	643	- 58	- 12	- 1.9
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	3,627	3,527	3,440	100	187	5.4
Chemicals & Allied Products	1,320	1,335	1,310	- 15	10	.8
Other Nondurable Goods (including Rubber & Misc. Plastics; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	2,512	2,436	2,482	76	30	1.2
NONMANUFACTURING	228,317	231,990	226,489	- 3,673	1,828	.8
MINING	216	208	211	8	5	2.4
CONSTRUCTION	10,343	9,914	11,209	429	- 866	- 7.7
Building Construction - General Contractors & Operative Bldrs.	2,411	2,340	2,621	71	- 210	- 8.0
Construction other than Bldg. Const. - General Contractors	1,914	1,944	2,512	- 30	- 598	-23.8
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	6,018	5,630	6,076	388	- 58	- 1.0
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION & UTILITIES	24,266	24,336	24,283	- 70	- 17	- .1
Railroad Transportation	6,758	6,738	6,808	20	- 50	- .7
Other Transportation (including Buses & Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transportation & Warehousing; etc.)	8,455	8,566	8,240	- 111	215	2.6
Communication & Electric; Gas & Sanitary Services	9,053	9,032	9,235	21	- 182	- 2.0

INDUSTRY	July 1981 3/	June 1981 4/	July 1980 4/	Change From: June 1981	Change From: July 1980	Percent Change From: July 1980
TRADE	67,409	67,912	67,890	- 503	- 481	- .7
Wholesale	21,321	21,327	21,223	- 6	98	.5
Durable Goods	13,255	13,142	13,242	113	13	.1
Nondurable Goods	8,066	8,185	7,981	- 119	85	1.1
Retail	46,088	46,585	46,667	- 497	- 579	- 1.2
Bldg. Materials, Hardware, Garden Supply & Mobile Home Dlrs.	1,471	1,515	1,412	- 44	59	4.2
General Merchandise Stores	7,424	7,521	7,818	- 97	- 394	- 5.0
Food Stores	6,869	6,876	6,647	- 7	222	3.3
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	4,620	4,637	4,796	- 17	- 176	- 3.7
Apparel & Accessory Stores	2,347	2,321	2,384	26	- 37	- 1.6
Furniture, Home Furnishings & Equipment Stores	1,665	1,677	1,619	- 12	46	2.8
Eating & Drinking Places	16,674	16,962	16,904	- 288	- 230	- 1.4
Miscellaneous Retail	5,018	5,076	5,087	- 58	- 69	- 1.4
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	1,405	1,408	1,467	- 3	- 62	- 4.2
Other Misc. Retail (including Liquor Stores; Sporting Goods Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	3,613	3,668	3,620	- 55	- 7	- .2
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25,780	25,879	25,391	- 99	389	1.5
Banking	4,038	4,074	3,971	- 36	67	1.7
Insurance	15,137	15,138	14,854	- 1	283	1.9
Real Estate	3,076	3,060	3,175	16	- 99	- 3.1
Other Fin.; Ins.; & Real Estate (including Credit Agencies other than Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. Servc.; etc.)	3,529	3,607	3,391	- 78	138	4.1
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	60,962	61,548	58,970	- 586	1,992	3.4
Hotels, Rooming Houses, Camps & Other Lodging Places	2,720	2,789	2,817	- 69	- 97	- 3.4
Personal Services	2,795	2,833	2,986	- 38	- 191	- 6.4
Business Services	12,368	12,406	11,470	- 38	898	7.8
Automotive Repair, Services, & Garages	2,144	2,117	2,067	27	77	3.7
Amusement & Recreation	3,294	3,398	3,273	- 104	21	.6
Health Services	20,534	20,513	19,495	21	1,039	5.3
Educational Services	3,870	4,231	3,682	- 361	188	5.1
Social Services	3,183	3,199	3,433	- 16	- 250	- 7.3
Membership Services	3,181	3,211	3,149	- 30	32	1.0
Other Services (including Legal & Other Prof. Services; Misc. Repair Services; Agricultural Services; etc.)	6,873	6,851	6,598	- 22	275	4.2
GOVERNMENT	39,071	42,193	38,535	-2,852	806	2.1
Federal	8,361	8,357	8,503	274	128	1.5
State	7,555	8,487	7,325	- 932	230	3.1
Local	23,155	25,349	22,707	-2,194	448	2.0

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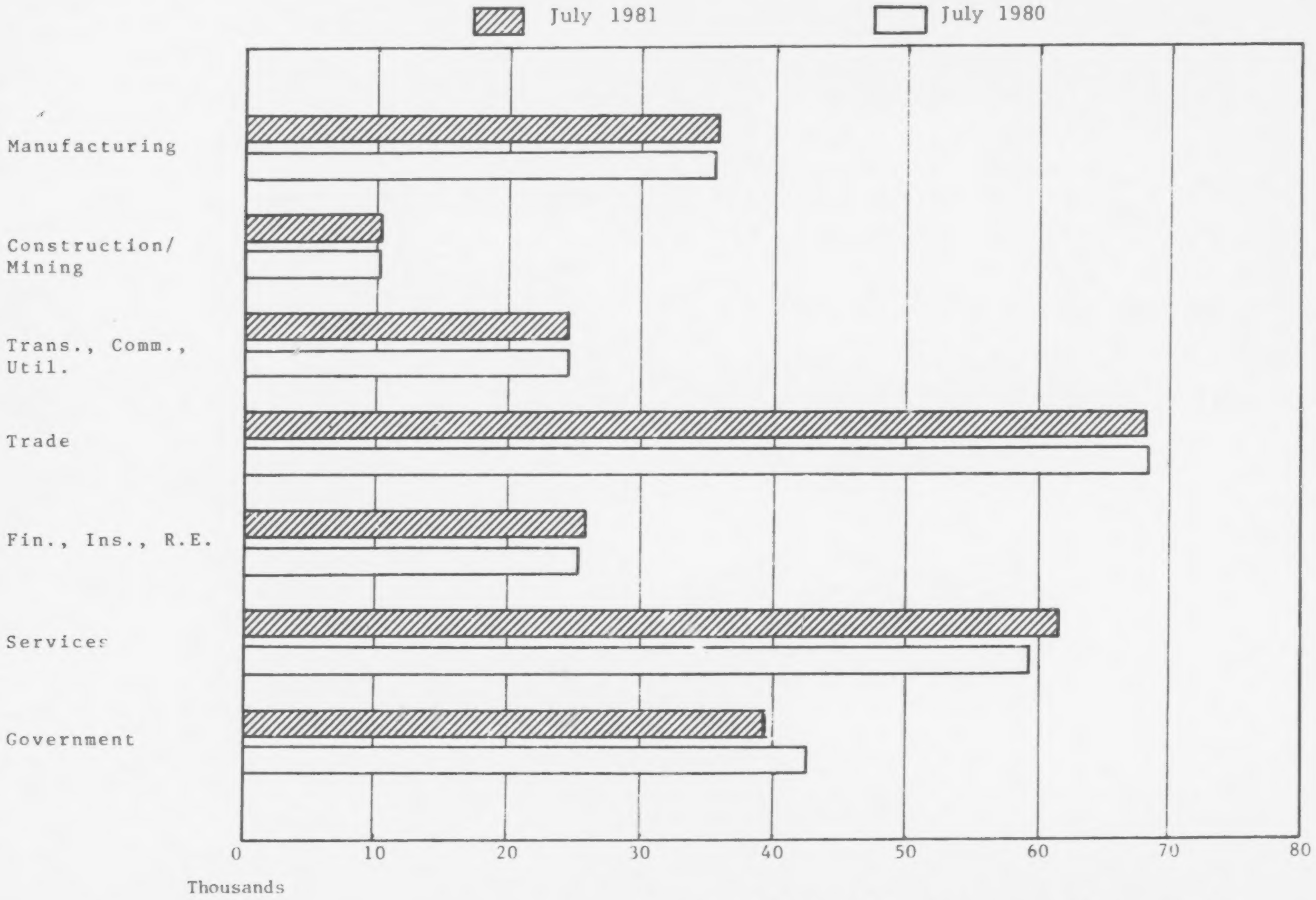

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OMAHA SMSA[1] - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

July 1981 in review . . . .

The Omaha SMSA nonagricultural work force decreased by 3,478 from June 1981 to July 1981. This included a slight increase of 195 in manufacturing along with a decrease of 3,673 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 195 in manufacturing including a small dip of 34 in durable goods and a rise of 229 in nondurable goods.

Construction/mining was the only major industrial category showing a month-to-month increase (437).

Month-to-month decreases occurred in government (-2,852), services (-586), trade (-503), finance-insurance-real estate (-99), and transportation-communication-utilities (-70). The largest drop in government occurred in local government (-2,194). The major decrease in services occurred in educational services (-361). The drop of 503 in trade included a slight dip of 6 in wholesale trade along with a decrease of 497 in retail trade - mainly in eating and drinking places (-285).

Annual changes . . . .

The Omaha SMSA nonagricultural work force increased by 2,511 from July 1980 to July 1981. This included a gain of 683 for manufacturing and of 1,828 for nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 683 in manufacturing included an increase of 557 in durable goods, and a gain of 126 in nondurable goods. The increase of 557 in durable goods was paced by a rise of 682 in machinery except electrical.

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (1,952), government (806), and finance-insurance-real estate (389). The increase in services was largely accounted for in two categories: health services (1,039), and business services (898). Over one-half of the increase in government occurred in local government (448).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in construction/mining (-861), trade (-481), and transportation-communication-utilities (-17). The decrease of 481 in trade included a gain of 98 in wholesale trade that was more than counterbalanced by a drop of 579 in retail trade. The major decline in retail trade was in general merchandise stores (-394).

1/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska, and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING 1/ - OMAHA SMSA 2/

July 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jul 1981 3/	Jun 1981 4/	Jul 1980 4/	Jul 1981 3/	Jun 1981 4/	Jul 1980 4/	Jul 1981 3/	Jun 1981 4/	Jul 1980 4/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$330.34	$314.39	$302.48	39.8	38.2	39.8	$8.30	$8.23	$7.60
Durable Goods	329.67	310.22	300.69	39.2	36.8	38.5	8.41	8.43	7.81
Primary and Fabricated Metals	370.44	351.91	388.27	39.2	37.2	41.0	9.45	9.46	9.47
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	360.69	328.47	313.78	40.3	36.7	38.5	8.95	8.95	8.15
Nondurable Goods	330.07	319.20	304.88	40.4	39.9	41.2	8.17	8.00	7.40
Food and Kindred Products	366.21	360.80	347.87	40.6	41.0	43.0	9.02	8.80	8.09
Meat Products	344.04	328.71	324.99	38.7	38.9	41.4	8.89	8.45	7.85
Grain Mill Products	509.63	514.55	540.05	44.2	44.9	50.9	11.53	11.46	10.61
Bakery Products	281.45	316.57	253.30	36.6	38.7	34.0	7.69	8.18	7.45
Other Food and Kindred Products	277.79	273.97	259.53	41.4	41.7	42.2	6.71	6.57	6.15
Printing and Publishing	285.01	264.22	253.55	37.8	35.9	37.9	7.54	7.36	6.69
Chemicals and Allied Products	362.30	326.05	326.16	48.5	44.3	45.3	7.47	7.36	7.20

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

2/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.

3/ Preliminary.

4/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Omaha SMSA manufacturing increased by $15.95 from June 1981 to July 1981. Durable goods rose by $19.45, and nondurable goods gained by $10.87 during that period. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $27.86, with durable goods showing a gain of $28.98, and nondurable goods increasing by $25.19.

Average weekly hours increased by 1.6 hours month-to-month, and remained the same year-to-year (39.8 hours).

Average hourly earnings increased slightly ($.07) from June 1981 to July 1981, and gained by $.70 from July 1980 to July 1981.

OMAHA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED [1]

July 1981

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	2,354	63.2
Female	1,371	36.8
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	2,978	79.9
All Other Races	747	20.1
AGE:		
Under 22	463	12.4
22 - 44	2,477	56.5
45 and Over	783	21.2
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or Less	1,657	44.5
5 - 14	1,557	41.8
15 and Over	511	13.7

OCCUPATION	Amount	Percent of Total
Professional, Technical and Managerial	986	26.5
Clerical & Sales	668	17.9
Service	309	8.3
Farm & Related	23	0.6
Processing	128	3.4
Machine Trades	185	5.0
Bench Work	90	2.4
Structural Work	732	19.7
Miscellaneous	602	16.2
INDUSTRY		
Construction and Mining	613	16.5
Manufacturing	705	19.0
Durable Goods	328	8.8
Nondurable Goods	377	10.2
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	324	8.7
Trade (Wholesale and Retail)	789	21.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	179	4.8
Services	743	20.0
Government	76	2.0
Other	283	7.7

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[1] Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Omaha UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for July 1981 was 3,725. The Omaha UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER AREA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties.

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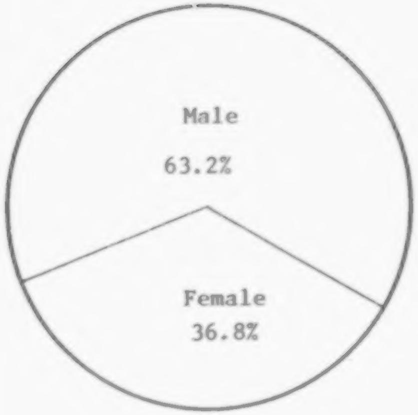
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED

JULY 1981



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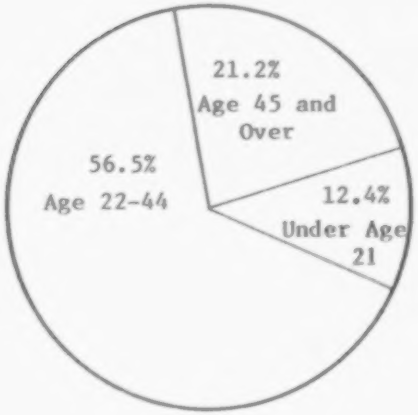

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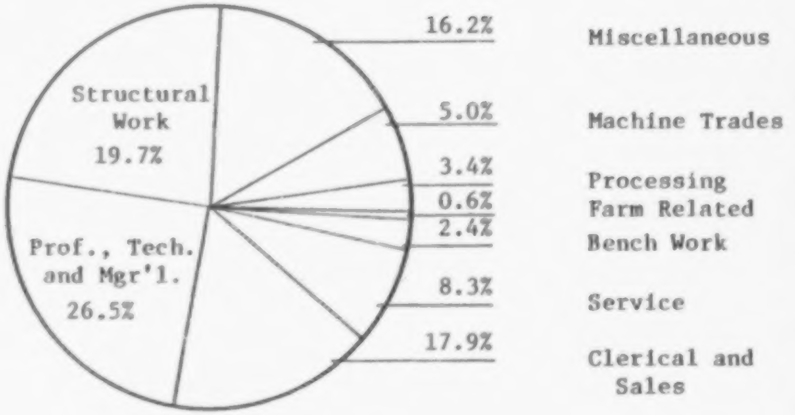

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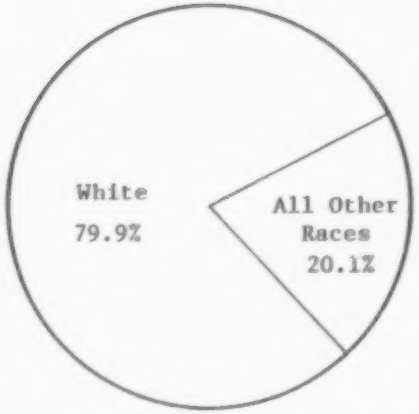

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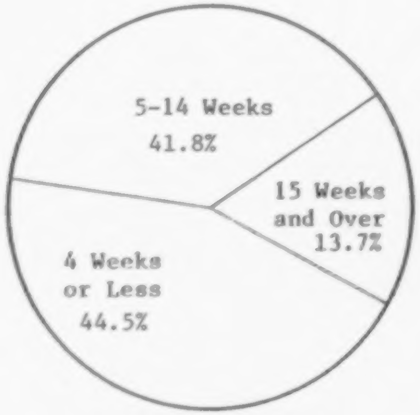

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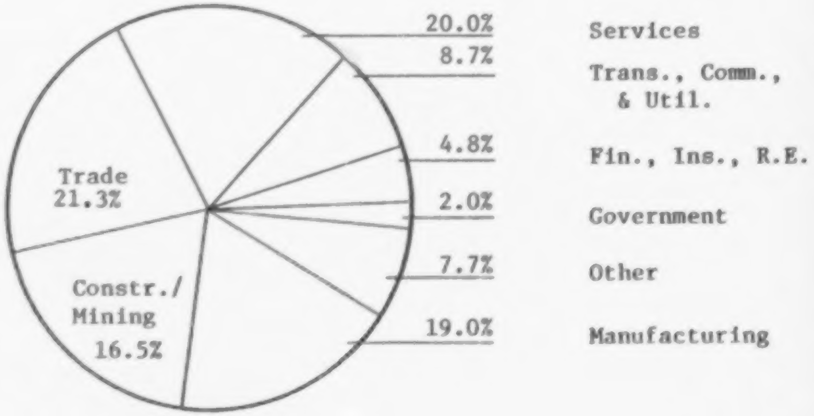

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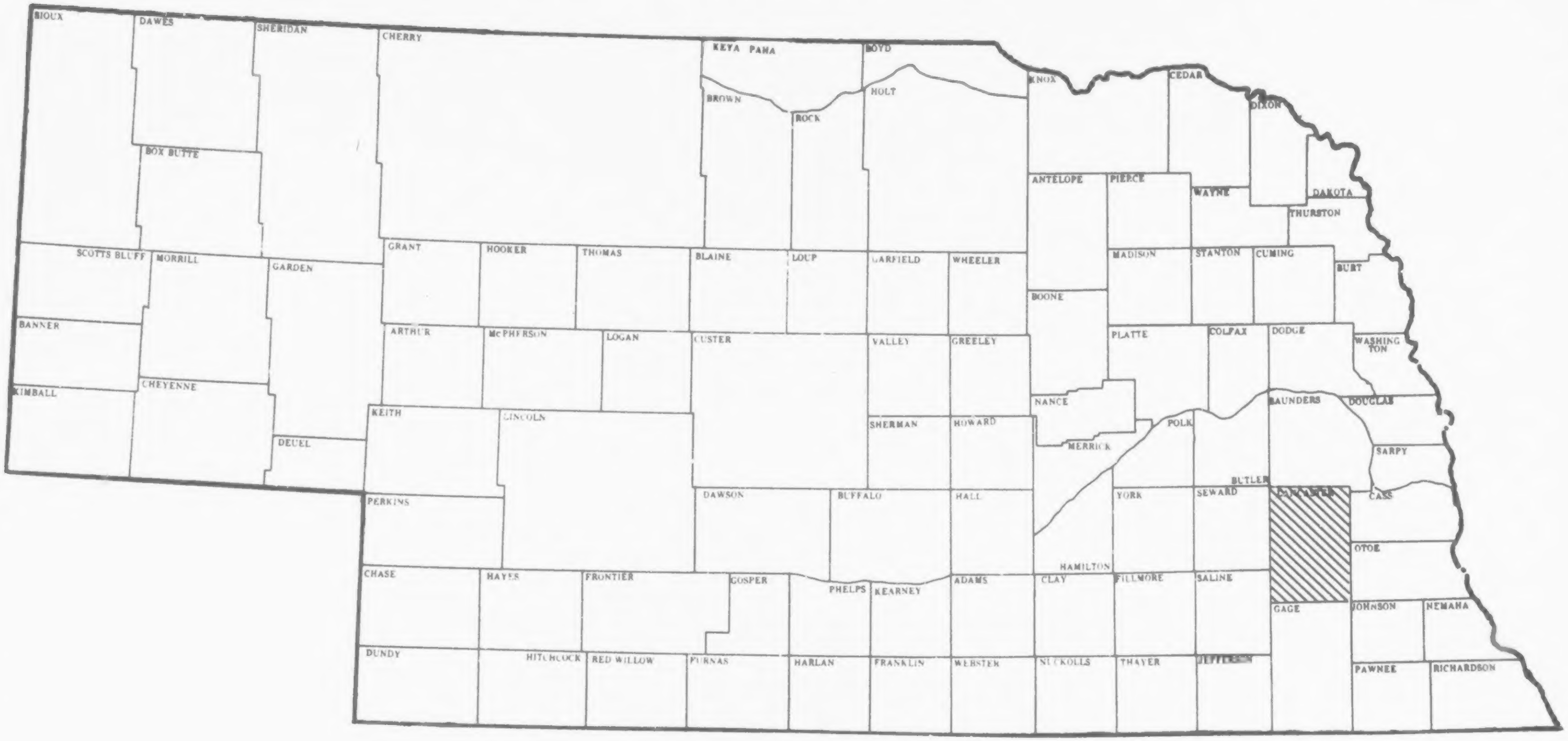
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The Lincoln Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area defined as Lancaster County.

LINCOLN SMSA [1/]

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [2/]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Jul 1981	June 1981	Jul 1980	Jun 1980	Jul 1980
Civilian Labor Force	109,900	113,650	111,350	-3,750	-1,450
Employment	106,200	109,600	107,550	-3,400	-1,350
Nonagricultural	103,450	107,000	104,800	-3,550	-1,350
Agricultural	2,750	2,600	2,750	150	0
Unemployment	3,700	4,050	3,800	- 350	- 100
Unemployment Rate 3/	3.4	3.6	3.4	XXX	XXX

1/ Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.

2/ The above estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

3/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Lincoln SMSA civilian labor force dropped by 3,750 from June 1981 to July 1981, and also registered a decrease of 1,450 from July 1980 to July 1981. Total employment decreased by 3,400 month-to-month, and also declined by 1,350 year-to-year. Nonagricultural employment accounted for the entire decrease, both month-to-month and year-to-year.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA decreased by 350 from June 1981 to July 1981, and also dropped by 100 from July 1980 to July 1981. The unemployment rate dropped from 3.6 percent in June 1981 to 3.4 percent in July 1981, but remained the same as it had been in July 1980 (3.4 percent).

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ESTIMATES OF LINCOLN SMSA [1] NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [2]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	July 1981 [3]	June 1981 [4]	July 1980 [4]	Change From: June 1981	Change From: July 1980	Percent Change From: July 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	97,363	100,964	98,184	-3,601	- 821	- .8
MANUFACTURING	13,515	13,377	13,119	138	396	3.0
Durable Goods	6,290	6,165	5,940	125	350	5.9
Construction Material	591	610	669	- 19	- 78	-11.7
Lumber and Wood Products, Except Furniture	204	215	206	- 11	- 2	- 1.0
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	387	395	463	- 8	- 76	-16.4
Furniture & Fixtures	128	128	97	0	31	32.0
Metals	946	940	983	6	- 37	- 3.8
Primary Metal Industries	67	74	67	- 7	0	.0
Fabricated Metal Prod., except Mach. & Transp. Equip.	879	866	916	13	- 37	- 4.0
Machinery except Electrical	602	590	499	12	103	20.6
Farm Machinery & Equipment	66	66	71	0	- 5	- 7.0
Electrical & Electronic Machinery, Equip., & Supplies	1,663	1,572	1,417	91	246	17.4
Transportation Equipment	1,865	1,854	1,797	11	68	3.8
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	56 [5]	59 [5]	62 [5]	- 3 [5]	- 6 [5]	- 9.7 [5]
Other Durable Goods (including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	495	471	478	24	17	3.6
Nondurable Goods	7,225	7,212	7,179	13	46	.6
Food & Kindred Products	2,223	2,258	2,477	- 35	- 254	-10.3
Meat Products	761 [5]	770 [5]	608 [5]	- 9 [5]	153 [5]	25.2 [5]
Dairy Products	264	261	278	3	- 14	- 5.0
Grain Mill	317 [5]	317 [5]	357 [5]	0 [5]	- 40 [5]	-11.2 [5]
Other Food Prod. (including Canned & Preserved Prod.; Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod.; Beverages; etc.)	881	910	1,234	- 29	- 353	-28.6
Textile Products & Apparel	24 [5]	24 [5]	25 [5]	0 [5]	- 1 [5]	- 4.0 [5]
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	2,033	2,025	1,937	8	96	5.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	860	867	859	- 7	1	.1
Other Nondurable Goods (including Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	2,085 [5]	2,038 [5]	1.881 [5]	47 [5]	204 [5]	10.8 [5]
NONMANUFACTURING	83,848	87,587	85,065	-3,739	-1,217	- 1.4
MINING	58 [5]	48 [5]	44 [5]	10 [5]	14 [5]	31.8 [5]
CONSTRUCTION	3,970	3,710	4,115	260	- 145	- 3.5
Building Const. - Gen. Const. & Operative Bldrs.	920	848	1,051	72	- 131	-12.5
Construction other Than Bldg. Const.; Gen. Contractors	540	492	773	48	- 233	-30.1
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	2,510	2,370	2,291	140	219	9.6
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	7,298	7,257	7,564	41	- 266	- 3.5
Railroad Transportation	3,182	3,154	3,442	28	- 260	- 7.6

INDUSTRY	July 1981 3/	June 1981 4/	July 1980 4/	Change From: June 1981	Change From: July 1980	Percent Change From: July 1980
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES (Con't)						
Other Transportation (including Buses & Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transp. & Warehousing; etc.)	1,055	1,052	1,025	3	30	2.9
Communication & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	3,061	3,051	3,097	10	- 36	- 1.2
TRADE	21,590	21,775	21,351	- 185	239	1.1
Wholesale	5,211	5,196	5,069	15	142	2.8
Durable Goods	2,794	2,767	2,763	27	31	1.1
Nondurable Goods	2,417	2,429	2,306	- 12	111	4.8
Retail	16,379	16,579	16,282	- 200	97	.6
Bldg. Mat.; Hardware; Garden Supply; & Mobile Home Dealers	647	656	693	- 9	- 46	- 6.6
General Merchandise Stores	2,024	2,061	2,369	- 37	- 345	-14.6
Food Stores	1,889	1,894	1,753	- 5	136	7.8
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	2,090	2,081	2,049	9	41	2.0
Apparel & Accessory Stores	1,100	1,090	1,117	10	- 17	- 1.5
Furniture, Home Furnishings, & Equipment Stores	505	521	477	- 16	28	5.9
Eating & Drinking Places	6,047	6,177	5,857	- 130	190	3.2
Miscellaneous Retail	2,077	2,099	1,967	- 22	110	5.6
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	577	594	534	- 17	43	8.1
Other Misc. Retail (including Liquor Stores; Sporting Goods Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	1,500	1,505	1,433	- 5	67	4.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	7,080	7,072	7,048	8	32	.5
Banking	1,480	1,499	1,422	- 19	58	4.1
Insurance	3,915	3,880	3,985	35	- 70	- 1.8
Real Estate	730	721	709	9	21	3.0
Other Finance, Ins., & Real Estate (including Credit Agencies Other Than Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. & Svc.; etc.)	955	972	932	- 17	23	2.5
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	17,427	17,529	17,023	- 102	404	2.4
Hotels; Rooming Houses, Camps & Other Lodging Places	1,121	1,123	1,026	- 2	95	9.3
Personal Services	1,034	1,032	958	2	76	7.9
Business Services	3,325	3,291	3,537	34	- 212	- 6.0
Automotive Repair; Services & Garages	426	424	449	2	- 23	- 5.1
Amusement & Recreation	952	952	819	0	133	16.2
Health Services	5,348	5,383	5,167	- 35	181	3.5
Educational Services	878	925	877	- 47	1	.1
Social Services	726	727	710	- 1	16	2.3
Membership Services	1,519	1,541	1,549	- 22	- 30	- 1.9
Other Services (including Legal & Other Prof. Services; Misc. Repair Services; Agricultural Services, etc.)	2,098	2,131	1,931	- 33	167	8.6
GOVERNMENT	26,425	30,196	27,920	-3,771	- 1,495	- 5.4
Federal	2,500	2,481	2,821	19	- 321	-11.4
State	13,958	17,151	14,728	-3,193	- 770	- 5.2
Local	9,967	10,564	10,371	- 597	- 404	- 3.9

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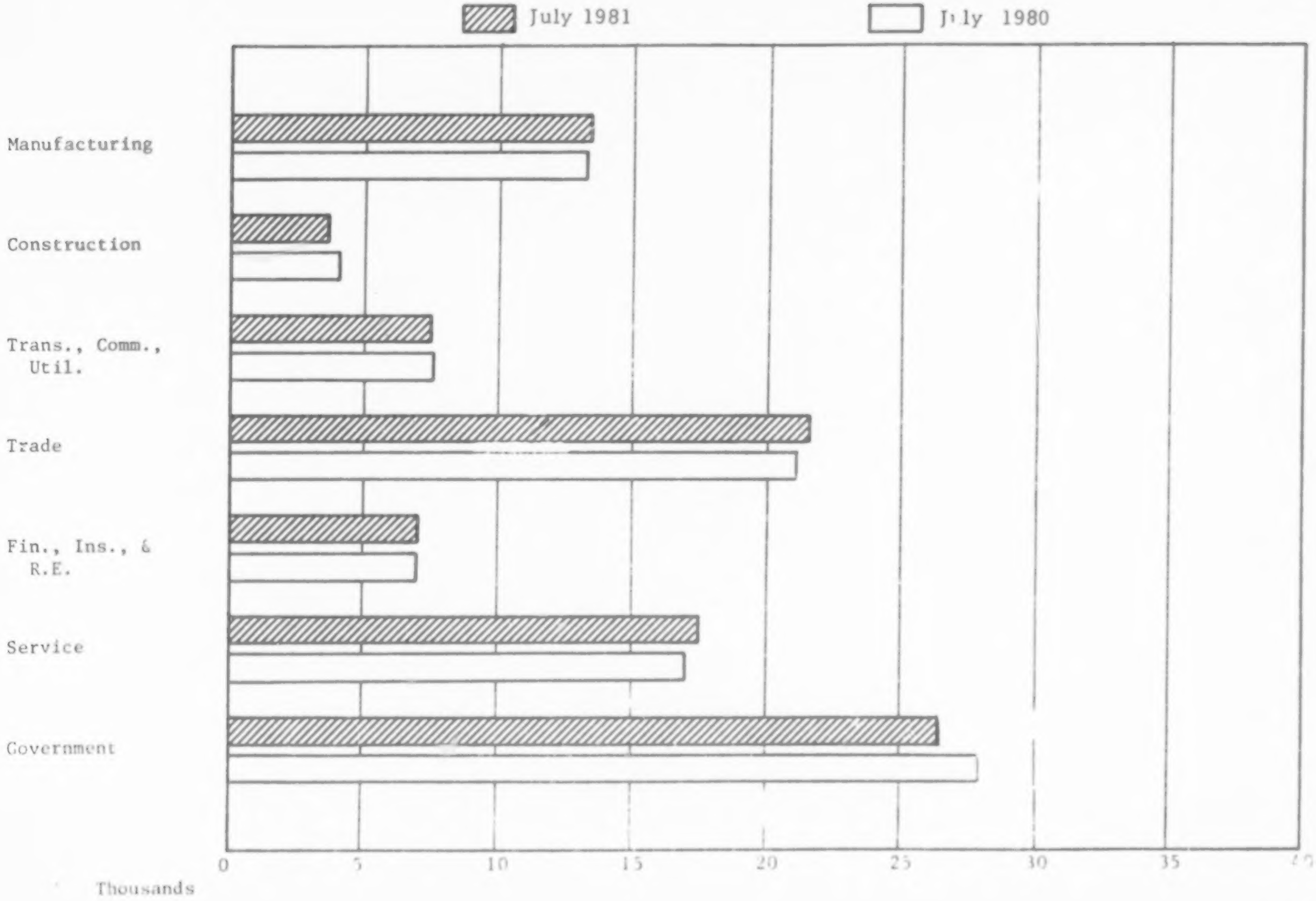

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LINCOLN SMSA[1] - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

July 1981 in review . . . .

The Lincoln SMSA nonagricultural work force decreased by 3,601 from June 1981 to July 1981. This included a small gain of 138 in manufacturing along with a decrease of 3,739 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 138 in manufacturing included a gain of 125 in durable goods and a small increase of 13 in nondurable goods.

Month-to-month increases occurred in construction/mining (260), transportation-communication-utilities (41), and finance-insurance-real estate (8).

Month-to-month decreases occurred in government (-3,771), trade (-185), and services (-102). The major decrease in government employment occurred in state government (-3,193) reflecting customary seasonal reductions in educational services. The decrease of 185 in trade included a small gain of 15 in wholesale trade along with a drop of 200 in retail trade.

Annual changes . . . .

The Nebraska nonagricultural work force dropped by 821 from July 1980 to July 1981. This included a gain of 396 in manufacturing along with a drop of 1,217 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 396 in manufacturing included a gain of 350 in durable goods, and a rise of 46 in nondurable goods.

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (404), trade (239), and finance-insurance-real estate (32). The increase of 404 in services occurred primarily in two categories: business services (212), and health services (181).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in government (-1495, reflected at all levels), transportation-communication-utilities (-266), and construction/mining (-145).

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ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING 1/ - LINCOLN SMSA 2/

July 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jul 1981 3/	Jun 1981 4/	Jul 1980 4/	Jul 1981 3/	Jun 1981 4/	Jul 1980 4/	Jul 1981 3/	Jun 1981 4/	Jul 1980 4/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$303.00	$307.33	$266.45	38.5	39.2	36.4	$7.87	$7.84	$7.32
Durable Goods	275.93	287.12	230.48	38.7	40.1	34.4	7.13	7.16	6.70
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	296.68	309.61	232.98	39.4	40.9	33.0	7.53	7.57	7.06
Nondurable Goods	325.55	324.48	297.94	38.3	38.4	38.1	8.50	8.45	7.82
Food and Kindred Products	337.22	336.49	307.93	42.1	41.8	40.2	8.01	8.05	7.66
Printing and Publishing	285.93	281.74	297.99	34.7	34.4	38.7	8.24	8.19	7.70

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.
3/ Preliminary.
4/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Lincoln SMSA manufacturing dropped by $4.33 from June 1981 to July 1981. This included a decline of $11.19 in durable goods along with a slight gain of $1.07 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $36.55, including a gain of $45.45 in durable goods and a rise of $27.61 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours dropped by 0.7 hours month-to-month but gained by 2.1 hours year-to-year. Average hourly earnings increased slightly from June 1981 to July 1981: $.03, and increased by $.55 from July 1980 to July 1981.

LINCOLN

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

July 1981

SEX:	Amount	Percent of Total
Male	980	56.1
Female	768	43.9
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	1,675	95.8
All other races	73	4.2
AGE:		
Under 22	218	12.5
22 - 44	1,080	61.8
45 and over	450	25.7
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	707	40.4
5 - 14	761	43.5
15 and over	280	16.1

OCCUPATION:	Amount	Percent of Total
Professional, Technical and Managerial	438	25.1
Clerical and Sales	270	15.5
Service	191	10.9
Farm and Related	16	.9
Processing	90	5.1
Machine Trades	63	3.6
Bench Work	92	5.3
Structural Work	457	26.1
Miscellaneous	131	7.5
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	337	19.3
Manufacturing	424	24.3
Durable Goods	198	11.3
Nondurable Goods	226	13.0
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	47	2.7
Trade (Wholesale and Retail)	361	20.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	50	2.9
Services	333	19.1
Government	88	5.0
Other	105	6.0

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Lincoln UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for July 1981 was 1,748.
The Lincoln UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER AREA defined as Lancaster, York, Seward, Fillmore, Saline, Thayer, Jefferson, Polk, Butler and Gage Counties.

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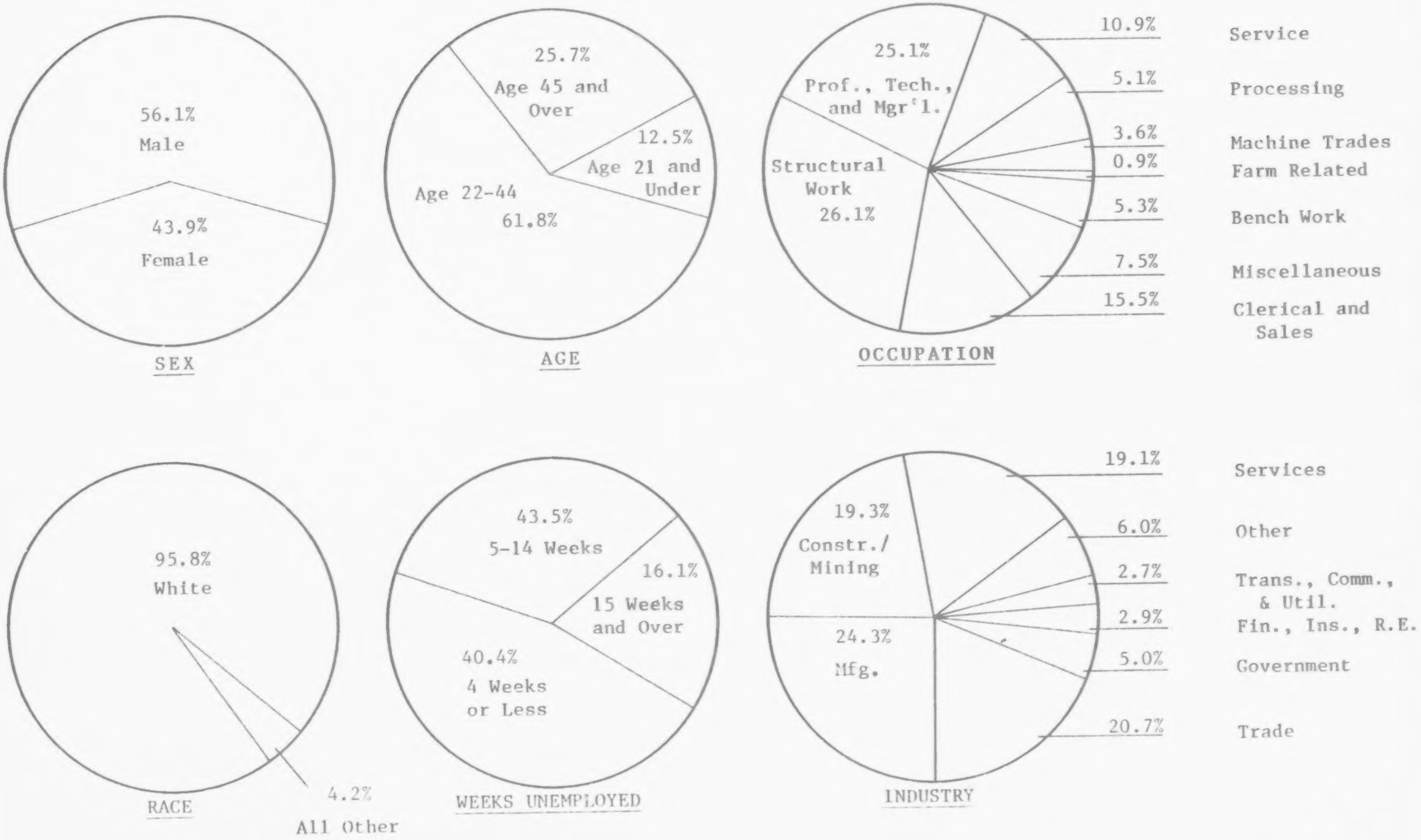

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

NEW BASE YEAR FOR THE CPI

The base year for the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and most other federal statistical indexes will be changed from 1967 to 1977. The base period is revised approximately every ten years on the recommendation of the Office of Statistical Policy and Standards. Effective with the Publication of January 1982 data in February 1982, the CPI base will be changed to 1977=100. To insure a smooth transition, contracting parties should consider whether any adjustments are necessary to adapt their agreements to the rebased index. More information on the rebasing will be provided during the coming months.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JULY 1981

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
	INDEX 1967=100	Percent Change From 1 Month Ago	Percent Change From 1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	Percent Change From 1 Month Ago	Percent Change From 1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	274.4	1.1	10.7	274.6	1.2	10.7
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	268.9	0.9	8.3	269.4	0.9	8.1
Food	276.2	1.0	8.4	276.6	0.9	8.3
Food at home	271.6	1.1	8.0	271.1	1.1	8.0
Cereals & bakery products	272.4	0.3	9.9	271.5	0.3	9.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	254.1	2.2	7.4	254.1	2.3	7.6
Dairy products	244.2	0.2	6.8	243.9	0	6.4
Fruits and vegetables	284.4	2.3	12.0	281.7	2.3	11.3
Other foods at home	323.3	-0.1	6.2	324.2	-0.1	6.8
Food away from home	292.4	0.6	9.2	295.2	0.6	8.8
Alcoholic beverages	200.5	0.4	7.1	202.8	0.3	7.2
HOUSING	297.0	1.6	12.0	297.0	1.7	12.0
Shelter	318.5	1.9	12.6	320.2	2.1	12.6
Rent (residential)	207.8	0.5	8.2	207.4	0.5	8.1
Other rental costs	293.6	1.4	10.5	293.3	1.2	10.5
Homeownership	358.0	2.2	13.5	361.2	2.4	13.6
Fuel and other utilities	325.1	1.5	13.9	326.4	1.6	14.1
Fuels	417.2	1.3	15.6	417.0	1.4	15.7
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	677.9	-0.6	21.0	681.1	-0.6	21.2
Gas (piped) & electricity	357.6	2.1	13.8	356.7	2.2	13.8
Household furnishings & operation	222.4	0.6	7.9	219.1	0.6	7.7
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	184.7	-0.6	4.8	185.5	-0.2	5.8
Men's & boys' apparel	175.6	-0.6	5.8	176.9	-0.2	5.8
Women's & girls' apparel	153.5	-1.2	1.9	157.9	-0.1	5.3
Footwear	199.0	-0.7	5.0	199.2	-0.7	5.2
TRANSPORTATION	282.6	1.0	12.6	283.9	1.0	12.7
Private transportation	279.6	0.6	11.6	281.6	0.7	12.0
Public transportation	323.1	6.3	29.0	317.7	6.2	29.3
MEDICAL CARE	295.6	1.4	10.9	295.4	0.9	10.3
Medical care services	31[illegible].2	1.5	10.8	318.5	0.9	10.1
ENTERTAINMENT	221.1	0.1	7.0	218.7	0.2	7.0
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	234.8	0.4	9.8	232.4	0.4	9.2
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	319.2			319.4		

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX [1] (1967 = 100)

(Previously Wholesale Price Index)

SELECTED COMMODITY GROUPINGS	INDEX (Not Seasonally Adjusted) April 1981	INDEX (Not Seasonally Adjusted) August 1981
ALL COMMODITIES	293.4	296.2
Farm Products and Processed Foods and Feeds	253.8	253.9
Farm Products	263.3	257.8
Processed Foods and Feeds	247.6	250.7
Industrial Commodities	303.5	307.8
Machinery and Equipment	259.6	266.0
Transportation and Equipment	231.9	235.8
Other Commodity Groupings:		
Grains	264.7	242.7
Livestock	246.6	262.0
Plant and Animal Fibers	274.2	232.5
Hay, Hayseeds, and Oilseeds	296.3	284.3
Other Farm Products	295.9	263.9
Agricultural Chemicals and Products	277.8	293.8

[1] Producer Price Index data measures average changes in prices received in primary markets of the United States by producers of commodities in all stages of processing. The sample includes nearly 2,800 commodities and about 10,000 quotations selected to represent the movement of prices of all commodities produced in the manufacturing, agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining, gas and electricity, and public utilities sectors. The universe includes all commodities produced or imported for sale in commercial transactions in primary markets in the United States.

NOTE: Beginning with January 1982 Producer Price Index data, the base will be updated from 1967 = 100 to 1977 = 100.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS

ACCESSIONS (TOTAL)

An accession is any permanent or temporary addition to the employment roll whether of new or former employees, or transfers from another establishment of the company.

New Hires - New hires are temporary and permanent additions to the employment roll or (1) anyone who has never before been employed in this establishment, or (2) former employees you did not call back. Persons transferred from other establishments of the company should be reported in "other accessions."

AVERAGE HOURLY (WEEKLY) EARNINGS

Average hourly (weekly) earnings including premium pay for overtime and late shift work, and incentive pay for the pay period which includes the 12th of the month for production workers in manufacturing industries.

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

The average length of workweeks for which pay was received during the pay period which includes the 12th of the month for production workers in manufacturing industries.

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Consists of all persons 16 years of age and over classified as employed or unemployed persons in the civilian noninstitutional population, by place of residence. The civilian labor force excludes military personnel. Noninstitutional population excludes inmates of penal or mental institutions, sanitariums, or homes for the aged, infirm, or needy. Labor force estimates are benchmarked annually, i.e., revised/updated by conversion methodology from benchmarked work force estimates.

CLAIM

A request for benefit payment, any notice filed by an individual to establish his/her insured status or to obtain credit for a waiting week, or a notice filed by an individual to inform the administrative agency of his/her employment. A claim may be filed under any one or more of the following programs: (1) The State program of unemployment insurance (UI), (2) The Federal program of unemployment compensation for Federal employees (UCFE), and (3) the Federal program of unemployment compensation for ex-servicemen (UCX).

Continued Claims

A request for waiting period credit or benefit payment. Continued claims are either (1) waiting period claims or (2) compensable claims.

Initial Claims

Either a new or an additional claim.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS
(Continued)

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)

The Consumer Price Index is a statistical measure of change - over time - in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups typically purchased by urban consumers: food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date. The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers other groups previously excluded from CPI coverage such as salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed. The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population. NOTE: The Consumer Price Index included in this publication is for the U.S. only - there is no comparable Consumer Price Index for Nebraska or subareas within Nebraska.

COVERED EMPLOYMENT

Count of all workers who are earning wages from employers covered by the Nebraska Employment Security Law.

DURABLE GOODS

Durable goods are items with a normal life expectancy of three years or more. Automobiles, furniture, household appliances, and mobile homes are common examples. Because of their nature, durable goods expenditures are generally postponable. As a consequence, durable goods sales are the most volatile component of consumer expenditures. Automobiles and parts, and furniture and household goods account for the majority of expenditures on durable goods.

EMPLOYMENT (On A Labor Force Basis)

Includes an unduplicated estimate of area residents who earned wages during the week including the 12th of each month. This estimate includes agricultural and self-employed workers, as well as residents who were employed in wage and salary jobs within the labor market area or in another labor market area, and residents involved in labor-management disputes.

Agricultural Employment

Includes only those persons employed in crop and livestock production. Agricultural services are included in nonagricultural employment (Service Industry).

Nonagricultural Employment

Includes persons on nonagricultural payrolls (including employees on paid sick leave, paid holiday, or paid vacation) who work or receive pay for any part of the pay period including the 12th of the month. Also includes self-employed, proprietors, unpaid family workers, domestics in private households.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS
(Continued)

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT

Unemployment during a week for which waiting period credit or benefits are claimed under the regular compensation programs, supplemental extended benefit programs, or the railroad unemployment insurance program.

LABOR MARKET AREAS

Consist of a central community and surrounding territory in which there is a concentration of economic activity or labor demand and in which workers can generally change jobs without changing their residence. Major labor market areas (SMSA's) have a central city (or adjoining cities) with a population of 50,000 or more. Small labor market areas do not have a central city of 50,000 or more and are not part of a major area.

NONDURABLE GOODS

Nondurable goods are items which generally last for only a short time (three years or less). Food, beverages, clothing, shoes, and gasoline are common examples. Because of the nature of nondurable goods, these are generally purchased when needed, and expenditures grow approximately in line with population growth. Personal consumption expenditures for food and beverages comprise about one-half of the expenditures on nondurable goods, while clothing and shoes account for almost one-fifth.

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (Previously Wholesale Price Index)

The Producer Price Index measures average changes in prices received in primary markets of the United States by producers of commodities in all stages of processing. The sample used contains nearly 2,800 commodities and about 10,000 quotations selected to represent the movement of prices in all commodities produced in the manufacturing, agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining, gas and electricity, and public utilities sectors. The universe includes all commodities produced or imported for sale in commercial transactions in primary markets in the United States.

SEPARATIONS (TOTAL) - The Sum of Discharge, Layoffs, Other Separations and Quits

Discharge - A discharge is a termination of employment initiated by the employer for such reasons as incompetence, violation of rules, dishonesty, laziness, absenteeism, insubordination, failure to pass probationary period, etc.

Layoffs - A layoff is a suspension from pay status (lasting or expected to last more than 7 consecutive calendar days without pay) initiated by the employer without prejudice to the worker for such reasons as: lack of orders, model changeover, termination of seasonal or temporary employment, inventory-taking, introduction of labor saving devices, plant breakdown, shortage of materials, etc.; include temporarily furloughed employees and employees placed on unpaid vacations.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS
(Continued)

SEPARATIONS (TOTAL) - The Sum of Discharge, Layoffs, Other Separations and Quits (con't.)

Other Separations - Include only terminations of employment for military duty lasting or expected to last more than 30 calendar days, retirement, death, permanent disability, failure to meet required physical standards, and transfers of employees to another establishment of the company.

Quits - A quit is a termination of employment initiated by the employee for any reason except to retire, to transfer to another establishment of the same firm, or for service in the Armed Forces. Include a person who fails to report after being hired (if previously counted as an accession) and an unauthorized absence if on the last day of the month the person has been absent more than 7 consecutive calendar days.

STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS (SMSA)

Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas are established by the OMB so that local economic and social statistics collected by many government and private organizations may be presented on a common geographic basis. Two basic considerations are involved in the establishment of an SMSA. First, each SMSA must include at least one city with 50,000 or more inhabitants, or two cities having contiguous boundaries and constituting, for general economic and social purposes, a single community with a combined population of at least 50,000. The smaller city must have a population of at least 15,000. In addition, at least 75 percent of the labor force must be nonagricultural, thus defining the metropolitan character of the area. In Nebraska, the SMSA's are Omaha (Douglas and Sarpy counties in Nebraska, and Pottawattamie County in Iowa) and Lincoln (Lancaster County). Dakota County, Nebraska is part of the Sioux City, Iowa SMSA.

UNEMPLOYMENT (On A Labor Force Basis)

Unemployment (total) is an unduplicated estimate of area residents who did not earn any wages during the survey week including the 12th of the month, and who were able, available, and actively seeking work during the thirty-day period preceding the survey week.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Unemployment rate is the total number of unemployed in the labor market area divided by the civilian labor force in the area.

WORK FORCE (Wage And Salary Employment, By Place Of Work)

An estimate of the number of individual jobs in an area during the survey week which includes the 12th of the month. Estimates are calculated by place of workers, agricultural workers and workers involved in labor-management disputes. Estimates include both part-time and full-time jobs, also included are non-residents who commute into the labor market area for work, as well as individuals who have more than one job in the same labor market area. Work force estimates are benchmarked annually, i.e., revised/updated based upon employer contributions data.

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary August 1981	Revised		Change From:	
		Jul 1981	Aug 1980	Jul 1981	Aug 1980
Civilian Labor Force	794,450	813,400	786,750	-18,950	7,700
Employment	766,850	782,800	759,350	-15,950	7,500
Nonagricultural	680,100	684,900	673,450	- 4,800	6,650
Agricultural	86,750	97,900	85,900	-11,150	850
Unemployment	27,600	30,600	27,400	- 3,000	200
Unemployment Rate [2]	3.5	3.8	3.5	xxx	xxx

[1] Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

[2] Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Nebraska civilian labor force decreased by 18,950 from July 1981 to August 1981, but showed a gain of 7,700 from August 1980 to August 1981. Total employment dropped by 15,950 month-to-month, but increased by 7,500 year-to-year. Nonagricultural employment decreased by 4,800 from July 1981 to August 1981, and agricultural employment also declined by 11,150 during the same period. Year-to-year, nonagricultural employment gained by 6,650 and agricultural employment increased by 850.

Unemployment in Nebraska dropped by 3,000 from July 1981 to August 1981, reaching a new total of 27,600. From August 1980 to August 1981, unemployment registered a very slight increase of 200. The unemployment rate dropped from 3.8 percent in July 1981 to 3.5 percent in August 1981, but remained the same as it had been in August 1980 (3.5 percent).

Nebraska's labor force is projected to decrease by 4,250 from August 1981 to September 1981, reaching a new total of 790,200. The unemployment segment is projected at 27,000. The employment segment is projected at 763,200.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [1/]

Job Count - Workers By Industry

INDUSTRY	August [2/] 1981	July [3/] 1981	August [3/] 1980	Change From: July 1981	Change From: August 1980	Percent Change From: August 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	628,700	628,897	621,083	- 197	7,617	1.2
MANUFACTURING	95,412	95,541	93,925	- 129	1,487	1.6
Durable Goods	48,514	48,314	47,613	200	901	1.9
Construction Material	4,883	4,916	4,842	- 33	41	0.8
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	2,195	2,230	2,156	- 35	39	1.8
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	2,688	2,686	2,686	2	2	.1
Furniture & Fixtures	1,619	1,612	1,721	7	- 102	- 5.9
Metals	8,693	8,854	8,877	- 161	- 184	- 2.1
Primary Metal Industries	1,782	1,932	1,862	- 150	- 80	- 4.3
Fabricated Metal Prod., Except Machinery & Trans. Equip.	6,911	6,922	7,015	- 11	- 104	- 1.5
Machinery Except Electrical	13,497	13,433	12,196	64	1,301	10.7
Farm Machinery & Equipment	7,456	7,531	7,089	- 75	367	5.2
Electrical & Electronic Machinery, Equip. & Supplies	9,356	9,510	9,545	- 154	- 189	- 2.0
Transportation Equipment	5,056	4,565	4,975	491	81	1.6
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	2,396	1,969	2,456	427	- 60	- 2.4
Other Durable Goods (Including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	5,410	5,424	5,457	- 14	- 47	- 0.9
Nondurable Goods	46,898	47,227	46,312	- 329	586	1.3
Food & Kindred Products	26,904	27,232	27,657	- 328	- 753	- 2.7
Meat Products	13,519	13,850	13,574	- 331	- 55	- 0.4
Dairy Products	1,856	1,882	1,828	- 26	28	1.5
Grain Mill	4,731	4,853	5,008	- 122	- 277	- 5.5
Other Food Prod. (Including Canned & Preserved Prod.; Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod.; Beverages; etc.)	6,798	7,647	7,247	- 849	- 449	- 6.2
Textile Products & Apparel	2,735	2,685	2,336	50	399	17.1
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	7,803	7,698	7,598	105	205	2.7
Chemicals & Allied Products	2,658	2,634	2,585	24	73	2.8
Other Nondurable Goods (Including Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	6,798	6,978	6,136	- 180	662	10.8
NONMANUFACTURING	533,288	533,356	527,158	- 68	6,130	1.2
MINING	1,782	1,750	1,707	32	75	4.4
CONSTRUCTION	28,366	28,993	31,149	- 627	-2,783	- 8.9
Building Const. - Gen. Const. & Operative Bldrs.	7,961	8,463	8,814	- 502	- 853	- 9.7
Construction Other Than Bldg. Const. - Gen. Contractors	5,828	5,828	7,140	0	-1,312	-18.4
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	14,577	14,702	15,195	- 125	- 618	- 4.1
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	47,736	47,588	47,572	148	164	0.3
Railroad Transportation	16,122	16,188	16,339	- 66	- 217	- 1.3
Other Transportation (Including Buses & Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transp. & Warehousing; etc.)	14,956	14,874	14,459	82	497	3.4
Communication & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	16,658	16,526	16,774	132	- 116	- 0.7

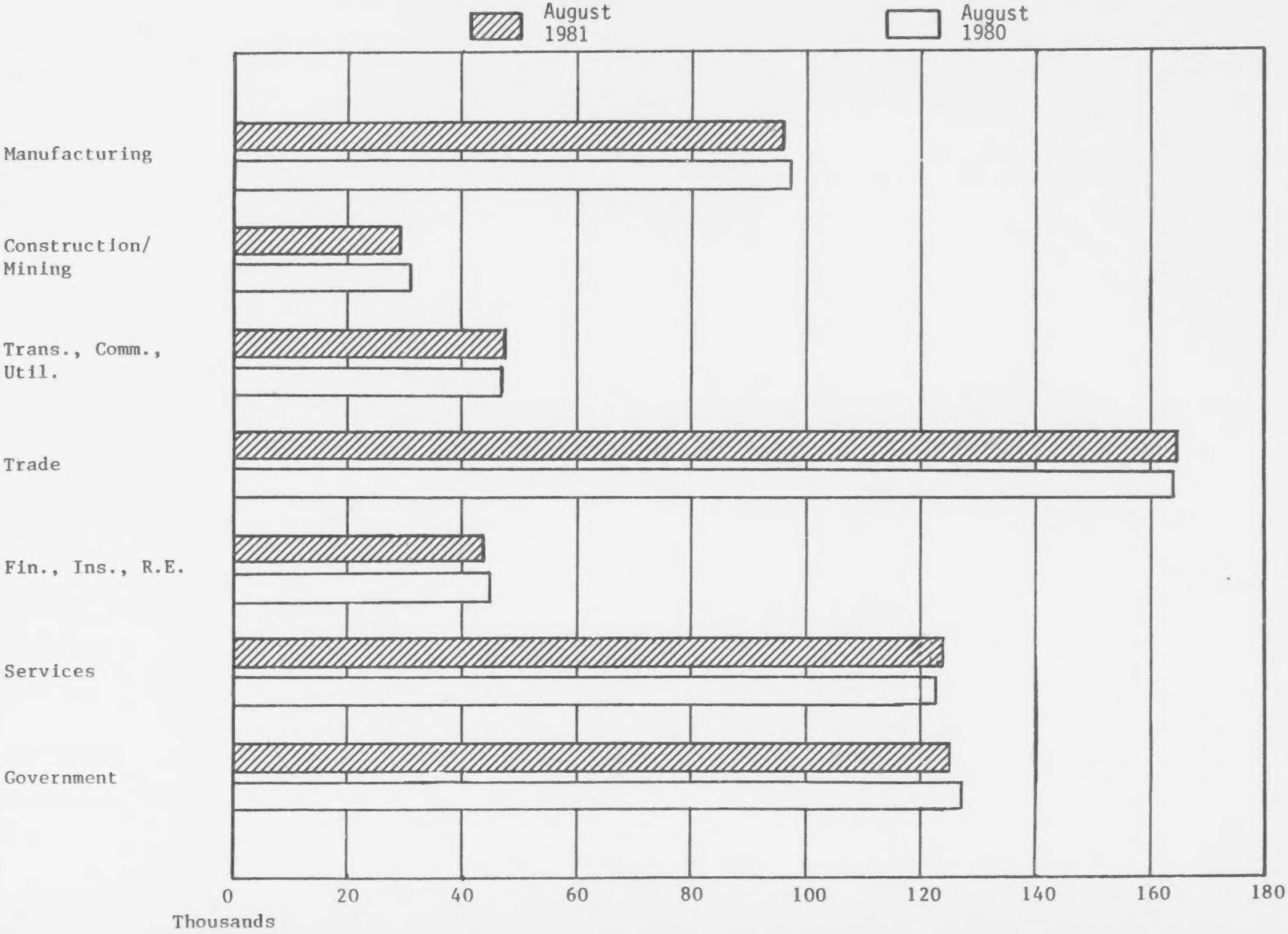
TRADE	165,272	164,608	165,367	664	- 95	- 0.1
Wholesale	49,422	49,580	50,026	- 158	- 604	- 1.2
Durable Goods	25,143	25,035	24,945	108	198	0.8
Nondurable Goods	24,279	24,545	25,081	- 266	- 802	- 3.2
Retail	115,850	115,028	115,341	822	509	0.4
Bldg. Mat., Hardware, Garden Supply & Mobile Home Dealers	6,639	6,619	6,914	20	- 275	- 4.0
General Merchandise Stores	15,040	14,943	15,430	97	- 390	- 2.5
Food Stores	15,631	15,667	15,622	- 36	9	0.1
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	15,505	15,439	16,085	66	- 580	- 3.6
Apparel & Accessory Stores	6,630	6,555	6,312	75	318	5.0
Furniture, Home Furnishings, & Equipment Stores	4,172	4,131	4,061	41	111	2.7
Eating & Drinking Places	39,674	39,126	38,812	548	862	2.2
Miscellaneous Retail	12,559	12,548	12,105	11	454	3.8
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	3,815	3,795	3,527	20	288	8.2
Other Misc. Retail (Including Liquor Stores; Sporting Goods Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	8,744	8,753	8,578	- 9	166	1.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	43,664	43,684	42,572	- 20	1,092	2.6
Banking	11,064	11,022	10,707	42	357	3.3
Insurance	21,005	20,987	20,631	18	374	1.8
Real Estate	4,708	4,679	4,689	29	19	0.4
Other Finance, Ins., & Real Estate (Including Credit Agencies Other Thank Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. & Svcs.; etc.)	6,887	6,996	6,545	- 109	- 342	5.2
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	122,098	120,880	118,215	1,218	3,883	3.3
Hotels, Rooming Houses, Camps & Other Lodging Places	7,057	7,057	7,308	0	- 251	- 3.4
Personal Services	6,115	6,095	6,234	20	- 119	- 1.9
Business Services	17,596	17,173	16,558	423	1,038	6.3
Automotive Repair, Services, & Garages	3,900	3,896	3,771	4	129	3.4
Amusement & Recreation	7,820	7,747	6,672	73	1,148	17.2
Health Services	44,329	43,941	42,818	388	1,511	3.5
Educational Services	6,668	6,569	7,307	99	- 639	- 8.7
Social Services	5,831	5,905	6,102	- 74	- 271	- 4.4
Membership Services	9,399	9,149	8,784	250	615	7.0
Other Services (Including Legal & Other Prof. Svcs.; Misc. Repair Services; Agricultural Svcs.; etc.)	13,383	13,348	12,661	35	722	5.7
GOVERNMENT	124,370	125,853	120,576	-1,483	3,794	3.1
Federal	16,170	16,176	16,252	- 6	- 82	- 0.5
State	31,371	30,254	31,329	1,117	43	0.1
Local	76.829	79,423	72.996	-2,594	3,833	5.3

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

2/ Preliminary estimates.

3/ Revised.

NEBRASKA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



NEBRASKA - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

August 1981 In Review . . . . .

The Nebraska nonagricultural work force decreased by 197 from July 1981 to August 1981. This included small drops in both manufacturing (-129) and in nonmanufacturing (-68).

The dip of 129 in manufacturing included a gain of 200 in durable goods (with transportation equipment increasing by 491), more than counterbalanced by a drop of 329 in nondurable goods. The major decrease in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (-328).

Month-to-month increases occurred in services (1,218), trade (664), and in transportation-communication-utilities (148). Approximately two-thirds of the increase in services occurred in two categories: business services (423) and in health services (388). The gain of 664 in trade included a drop of 158 in wholesale trade more than offset by a rise of 822 in retail trade. The major increase in retail trade was in eating and drinking places (548).

Month-to-month decreases included government (-1,483), construction and mining (-595), and finance-insurance-real estate (-20). The chief drop in government was in local government (-2,594).

Annual Changes . . . . .

The Nebraska nonagricultural work force increased by 7,617 from August 1980 to August 1981. This included a gain of 1,487 in manufacturing and an increase of 6,130 in nonmanufacturing.

The year-to-year increase of 1,487 in manufacturing included a gain of 901 in durable goods, and an increase of 586 in nondurable goods. The chief gainer in durable goods was machinery except electrical (1,301). The major increase in nondurable goods was in other durable goods (including paper and allied products, petroleum refining and related, rubber and miscellaneous plastics, and leather and leather products).

Year-to-year increases included government (3,794), services (3,883), finance-insurance-real estate (1,092) and transportation-communication-utilities (164). The increase in government was led by a rise in local government employment (3,833). Over two-thirds of the increase in services occurred in two categories: health services (1,511), and amusement and recreation (1,148).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in construction and mining (-2,783) and in trade (-95). The small dip in trade included a drop of 604 in wholesale trade along with a rise of 509 in retail trade. The major increase in retail trade was in eating and drinking places (862).

Outlook . . . . .

The work force outlook for October 1981 is projected as showing a moderate seasonal drop in construction/mining. Manufacturing is expected to have a small decrease. Trade is expected to have a moderate pickup in preparation for the upcoming holiday buying season. Agriculture is anticipated to have a small increase, reflecting harvest activities in corn, milo, soybeans and sugar beets. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in transportation-communication-utilities, finance-insurance-real estate, service and government.

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES 1/

August 1981 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate 2/
ADAMS	16,322	15,961	361	2.2
ANTELOPE	4,303	4,220	83	1.9
ARTHUR	256	250	6	2.3
BANNER	394	391	3	0.8
BLAINE	257	253	4	1.6
BOONE	4,108	4,016	92	2.2
BOX BUTTE	9,317	9,174	143	1.5
BOYD	1,669	1,630	39	2.3
BROWN	2,016	1,958	58	2.9
BUFFALO	19,556	19,103	453	2.3
BURT	4,467	4,307	160	3.6
BUTLER	4,118	3,993	125	3.0
CASS	8,376	7,986	390	4.7
CEDAR	5,068	4,897	171	3.4
CHASE	2,378	2,356	22	0.9
CHERRY	3,222	3,170	52	1.6
CHEYENNE	5,069	4,989	80	1.6
CLAY	3,750	3,678	72	1.9
COLFAX	5,076	4,945	131	2.6
CUMING	6,003	5,847	156	2.6
CUSTER	6,679	6,549	85	1.3
DAKOTA	7,346	7,073	273	3.7
DAWES	4,152	4,078	74	1.8
DAWSON	12,048	11,736	312	2.6
DEUEL	1,144	1,134	10	0.9
DIXON	3,545	3,487	58	1.6
DODGE	20,598	19,716	882	4.3
DOUGLAS	199,779	189,713	10,066	5.0
DUNDY	1,154	1,143	11	1.0
FILLMORE	3,790	3,745	45	1.2
FRANKLIN	2,021	2,002	19	0.9

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES [1]

August 1981 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate [2]
FRONTIER	1,859	1,830	29	1.6
FURNAS	2,838	2,786	52	1.8
GAGE	11,418	11,104	314	2.8
GARDEN	1,066	1,052	14	1.3
GARFIELD	1,500	1,481	19	1.3
GOSPER	1,016	1,008	8	0.8
GRANT	397	391	6	1.5
GREELEY	1,590	1,555	35	2.2
HALL	23,112	22,387	725	3.1
HAMILTON	5,662	5,551	111	2.0
HARLAN	2,073	2,059	14	0.7
HAYES	533	530	3	0.6
HITCHCOCK	1,821	1,787	34	1.9
HOLT	5,529	5,378	151	2.7
HOOKER	447	442	5	1.1
HOWARD	2,755	2,678	77	2.8
JEFFERSON	5,111	4,986	125	2.4
JOHNSON	2,572	2,475	97	3.8
KEARNEY	3,745	3,664	81	2.2
KEITH	4,690	4,570	120	2.6
KEYA PAHA	485	477	8	1.6
KIMBALL	2,793	2,736	57	2.0
KNOX	5,236	5,086	153	2.9
LANCASTER	110,627	106,661	3,996	3.6
LINCOLN	18,140	17,543	597	3.3
LOGAN	588	582	6	1.0
LOUP	284	281	3	1.1
McPHERSON	196	193	3	1.5
MADISON	16,633	16,116	517	3.1
MERRICK	3,331	3,241	90	2.7
MORRILL	2,530	2,466	64	2.5

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES 1/

August 1981 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate 2/
NANCE	1,874	1,810	64	3.4
NEMAHA	3,282	3,148	134	4.1
NUCKOLLS	3,283	3,194	89	2.7
OTOE	8,243	7,913	330	4.0
PAWNEE	2,046	1,988	58	2.8
PERKINS	1,634	1,627	7	0.4
PHELPS	5,167	5,100	67	1.3
PIERCE	4,069	3,971	98	2.4
PLATTE	15,024	14,541	483	3.2
POLK	3,136	3,086	50	1.6
RED WILLOW	5,764	5,637	127	2.2
RICHARDSON	5,049	4,820	229	4.5
ROCK	1,339	1,314	25	1.9
SALINE	6,693	6,599	94	1.4
SARPY	40,729	39,430	1,299	3.2
SAUNDERS	7,542	7,248	294	3.9
SCOTTS BLUFF	22,108	21,302	806	3.6
SEWARD	6,897	6,760	137	2.0
SHERIDAN	3,446	3,388	58	1.7
SHERMAN	2,249	2,187	62	2.8
SIOUX	765	756	9	1.2
STANTON	3,440	3,386	54	1.6
THAYER	3,510	3,450	60	1.7
THOMAS	436	428	8	1.8
THURSTON	3,485	3,209	276	7.9
VALLEY	2,631	2,594	37	1.4
WASHINGTON	5,738	5,498	240	4.2
WAYNE	5,130	5,046	84	1.6
WEBSTER	2,062	2,051	11	0.5
WHEELER	422	418	4	0.9
YORK	8,458	8,291	167	2.0

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

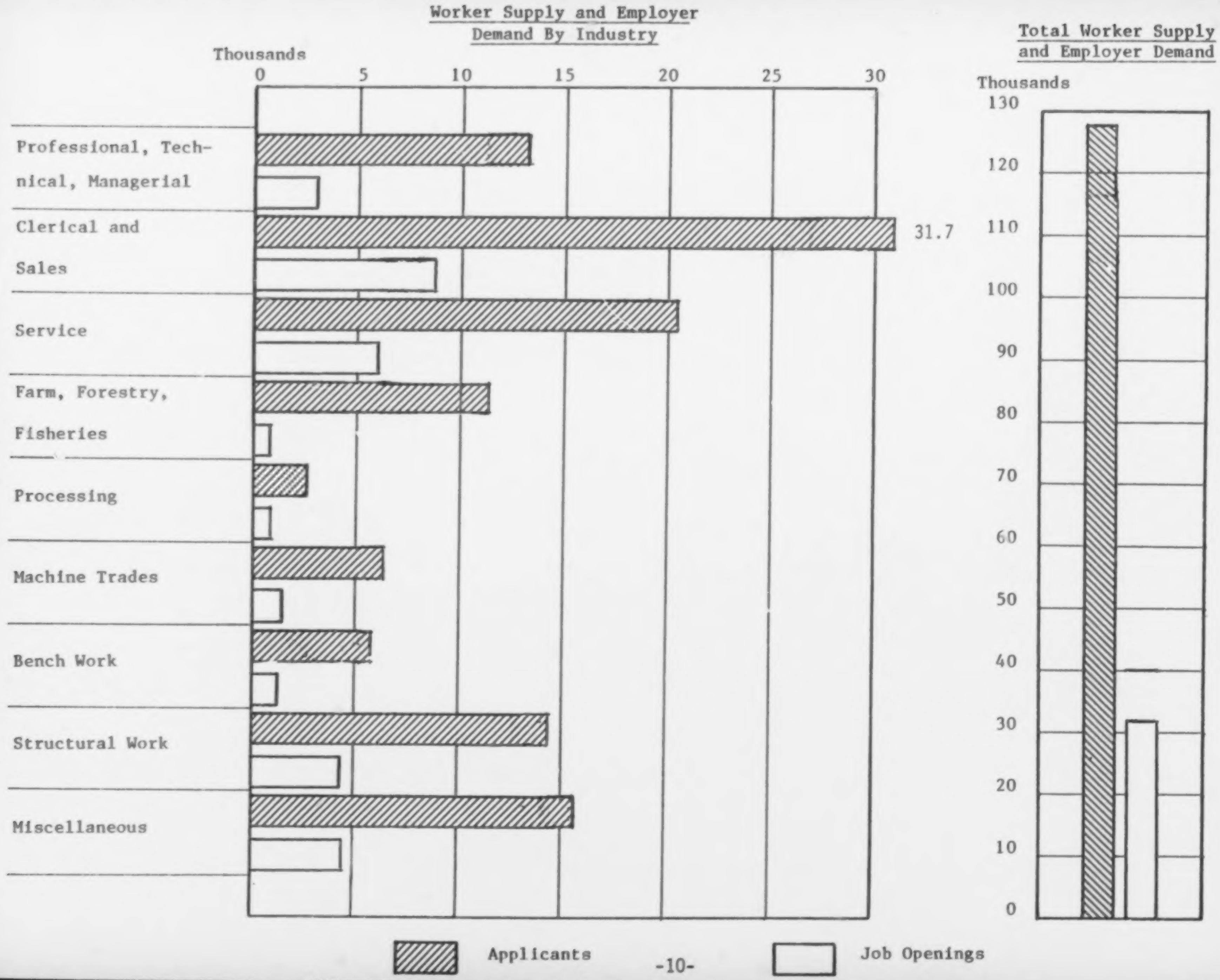
2/ Ratios of unemployment to the total civilian labor force.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

August 1981

	Applicants Available FY To Date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings			Appts/ Openings FY To Date	Active File/ Unfill. Open. End-of-Month	Unf. Open. 30 Days + % Of Total
			Received FY To Date 2/	Unfilled				
				Total	30 Days Or More			
TOTAL 3/	129,418	31,142	58,593	4,930	3,418	2.21	6.32	69.3
0-1 Professional, Technical and Managerial	12,831	3,321	3,671	1,593	1,411	3.50	2.08	88.6
2 Clerical and Sales	31,687	7,855	11,367	1,922	1,296	2.79	4.09	67.4
Entry Codes 4/	6,022	1,383	--	---	---	--	--	--
20-24 Clerical	19,621	4,961	8,757	1,681	1,149	2.24	2.29	68.4
25-29 Sales	6,044	1,511	2,610	241	147	2.32	6.27	61.0
3 Service	20,567	5,764	10,919	548	221	1.88	10.52	40.3
Entry Codes 4/	3,269	836	--	---	---	--	--	--
30 Domestic	1,293	377	2,173	50	24	0.60	7.54	48.0
31-39 Other	16,005	4,551	8,746	498	197	1.83	4.56	39.6
4 Farm, Forestry, Fisheries	12,079	740	9,947	54	39	1.21	13.71	63.0
5 Processing	2,965	784	2,223	30	3	1.34	26.13	10.0
6 Machine Trades	5,910	1,603	1,732	106	48	3.41	15.12	45.3
7 Bench Work	5,484	1,400	1,515	81	46	3.62	17.28	56.8
8 Structural Work	14,936	3,587	5,682	222	81	2.63	16.16	36.5
9 Miscellaneous	16,520	4,491	11,517	141	46	1.43	31.85	32.6
Entry Codes 4/	2,874	744	--	---	---	--	---	--
90-91 Motor Freight, Transportation	5,979	1,638	4,259	65	19	1.40	25.20	29.2
92 Packaging, Materials Handling	7,098	1,970	6,884	58	18	1.03	33.97	31.0
93-97 Other 5/	569	139	374	15	9	1.52	9.27	60.0

1/ Source of Data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System)
2/ Period Covered: 10-1-80 through 8-31-81. FY 1981 defined as 10-1-80 through 9-30-81.
3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.
4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.
5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.



Worker Supply and Employer Demand By Industry

Total Worker Supply and Employer Demand

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1/]

BY OCCUPATION
August 1981

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,404	2,637	$ 9,401/yr	$ 9,754/yr	1,665	1,323	621	561
Professional, Technical, and Managerial	539	546	13,003/yr	13,236/yr	402	415	240	248
Clerical and Sales	1,158	781	8,392/yr	8,514/yr	642	422	168	176
Service	491	420	3.76/hr	3.79/hr	199	172	72	31
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and Related	52	44	3.74/hr	4.06/hr	22	10	5	1
Processing	190	119	5.05/hr	5.15/hr	26	12	1	4
Machine Trades	189	162	5.12/hr	5.29/hr	88	71	35	23
Bench Work	144	137	3.84/hr	3.78/hr	71	70	38	15
Structural Work	370	239	4.75/hr	5.04 hr	140	90	46	39
Miscellaneous	271	189	4.45/hr	4.34/hr	75	61	16	24

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/
August 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Aug 1981 2/	Jul 1981 3/	Aug 1980 3/	Aug 1981 2/	Jul 1981 3/	Aug 1980 3/	Aug 1981 2/	Jul 1981 3/	Aug 1980 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$308.09	$311.26	$301.85	38.9	39.3	40.3	$7.92	$7.92	$7.49
Durable Goods	317.21	309.28	289.02	39.9	39.6	39.7	7.95	7.81	7.28
Lumber, Stone, Clay, Glass Products	286.63	297.74	250.08	40.2	41.7	40.4	7.13	7.14	6.19
Primary and Fabricated Metals	337.79	328.05	299.44	40.6	40.4	38.0	8.32	8.12	7.88
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	337.16	327.41	312.38	39.9	39.4	40.1	8.45	8.31	7.79
Nondurable Goods	298.24	313.17	314.93	37.8	39.0	40.9	7.89	8.03	7.70
Food and Kindred Products	323.76	344.12	351.78	38.0	39.6	42.9	8.52	8.69	8.20
Meat Products	320.51	347.33	374.31	34.5	36.6	42.2	9.29	9.49	8.87
Dairy Products	255.91	256.68	214.88	39.8	41.2	37.5	6.43	6.23	5.73
Grain Mill Products	413.56	434.15	436.68	45.9	47.5	48.9	9.01	9.14	8.93
Bakery Products	272.43	283.82	256.48	33.8	34.8	35.7	8.06	7.95	7.37
Other Food and Kindred Products	266.28	274.86	258.69	42.2	41.9	42.2	6.31	6.56	6.13
Printing and Publishing	254.52	266.05	266.70	36.0	36.9	38.1	7.07	7.21	7.00
Chemicals and Allied Products	324.65	324.32	308.67	43.0	42.9	44.8	7.55	7.56	6.89

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing decreased by $3.17 from July 1981 to August 1981. This included a rise of $7.93 in durable goods that was more than offset by a drop of $14.93 in nondurable goods. Average weekly earnings increased by $6.24 from August 1980 to August 1981. During that period, durable goods increased by $28.19 while nondurable goods decreased by $16.69. Average weekly hours declined by 0.4 hours month-to-month, and also dropped by 1.4 hours year-to-year. Average hourly earnings remained the same in August 1981 that they had been in July 1981 ($7.92), but showed a gain of $.43 from August 1980 to August 1981.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

July 1980

	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	TOTAL			NEW HIRES			TOTAL			QUITS			LAYOFFS		
INDUSTRY	Jul 2/ 1981	Jun 3/ 1981	Jul 3/ 1980	Jul 2/ 1981	Jun 3/ 1981	Jul 3/ 1980	Jun 2/ 1981	Jul 3/ 1981	Jul 3/ 1980	Jun 2/ 1981	Jul 3/ 1981	Jul 3/ 1980	Jun 2/ 1981	Jul 3/ 1981	Jul 3/ 1980
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	28	39	26	22	29	18	31	30	32	17	16	17	7	7	10
Durable Goods	22	30	21	17	23	12	27	24	33	13	12	14	8	6	13
Lumber, Stone, Clay, Glass Prod.	45	35	33	37	25	23	62	21	34	26	15	21	28	1	4
Furniture & Fixtures	17	7	7	17	5	7	19	20	26	17	14	19	4/	4/	4/
Primary & Fabr. Metals	29	31	19	16	23	7	37	29	33	13	11	12	14	13	16
Machinery & Trans. Equip.	16	29	16	13	24	6	18	26	34	10	11	12	4	7	18
Other Durable Goods	23	33	45	19	24	39	30	19	32	19	13	26	2	1	2
Nondurable Goods	34	49	32	28	35	25	34	35	30	21	21	19	7	8	6
Food & Kindred Products	34	52	36	28	33	33	33	38	29	22	22	20	6	10	3
Meat Products	35	51	36	31	33	34	39	39	22	25	22	17	8	11	4/
Dairy Products	10	20	23	10	17	23	12	38	24	7	13	21	4/	20	3
Grain Mill Products	30	63	21	25	56	19	22	33	33	17	21	15	2	8	11
Bakery Products	26	61	55	20	46	49	36	43	41	25	24	27	3	3	7
Other Food & Kindred Products	47	55	50	32	39	43	37	41	46	22	26	32	6	10	2
Textiles & Apparel	85	89	38	79	73	27	67	48	54	45	34	39	11	9	9
Paper & Allied Products	11	42	20	11	24	20	23	32	48	11	19	16	8	9	26
Printing & Publishing	37	40	18	34	34	16	41	28	23	26	20	18	8	2	2
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	6	25	9	5	23	9	12	19	9	7	9	4	3	7	2
Petroleum, Rubber, Plastic Products & Leather	25	40	47	13	16	6	26	34	46	10	19	12	7	5	25

1/ Source of Data: Labor Turnover Program.

NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary. 3/ Revised. 4/ Less than one-half.

Accession rates in Nebraska manufacturing decreased from 39 per 1,000 workers in June 1981 to 28 per 1,000 in July 1981. Durable goods dropped from 30 per 1,000 to 22 per 1,000 during that period, and nondurable goods also dropped - from 49 per 1,000 to 34 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accessions increased from 26 per 1,000 to 28 per 1,000. Durable goods increased from 21 per 1,000 to 22 per 1,000 during that period, and nondurable goods also gained from 32 per 1,000 to 34 per 1,000. Separations increased from 30 per 1,000 to 31 per 1,000 month-to-month, but dropped from 32 per 1,000 to 31 per 1,000 year-to-year. Layoffs remained the same rate in July 1981 that they had been in June 1981 (7 per 1,000), but were down from July 1981 when they were 10 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

August 1981

	Aug 1981	Jul 1981	Aug 1980
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	5,024	6,081	5,297
Weeks Claimed	40,930	41,911	45,529
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments From UI Funds	$ 3,176,034	$ 3,100,771	$ 3,458,227
Calendar Year To Date	32,653,087	29,477,053	32,350,751
Average Size Of Weekly Payments	$ 90.73	$ 90.41	$ 88.69
First Payments	2,636	3,010	3,219
Exhaustions	1,075	1,059	1,057
Individuals Who Drew Benefits	12,151	12,202	14,021
Rate Of Insured Unemployment	1.6	1.7	1.9
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments From UCFE Funds	$ 65,320	$ 66,050	$ 80,791
Average Size Of Weekly Payments	$ 72.02	$ 73.15	$ 74.39
First Payments	43	62	57
Exhaustions	28	24	15
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments From UCX Funds	$ 33,227	$ 31,838	$ 41,719
Average Size Of Weekly Payments	$ 91.79	$ 90.71	$ 85.49
First Payments	24	34	57
Exhaustions	4	2	4
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject Employers - End Of Month	37,738	36,755	36,237
Contributions Received	$ 6,699,345	$ 6,336,012	$ 6,621,877
FINANCIAL DATA			
End Of Month Fund Balance	$92,054,265	$88,113,741	$84,374,961

UI Initial Claims in Area Claims Centers decreased from 6,081 in July to 5,024 in August 1981. Weeks Claimed decreased from 41,911 to 40,930 over the same period.

UI Benefits Paid increased from 3.1 million in July 1981 to 3.2 million in August 1981.

The number of Insured Unemployed decreased from 9,878 in July 1981 to 9,426 in August 1981. The rate of Insured Unemployment decreased from 1.7% in July 1981 to 1.6% in August 1981.

The Year-to-Year contributions stood at 41.6 million compared to 30.8 million one year ago.

The Fund Balance stood at 92.1 million compared to 84.4 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED[1]

August 1981

	Amount	Percent Of Total
SEX:		
Male	4,895	57.9
Female	3,566	42.1
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	7,446	88.0
All Other Races	1,015	12.0
AGE:		
Under 22	1,062	12.6
22-44	5,370	63.5
45 and Over	2,029	23.9
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or Less	3,452	40.8
5 - 14	3,919	46.3
15 and Over	1,090	12.9

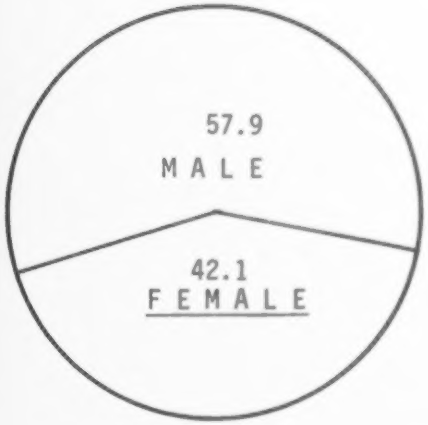
	Amount	Percent Of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, Technical and Managerial	2,140	25.3
Clerical and Sales	1,456	17.2
Service	840	9.9
Farm and Related	63	0.8
Processing	391	4.6
Machine Trades	421	5.0
Bench Work	331	3.9
Structural Work	1,713	20.2
Miscellaneous	1,106	13.1
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	1,376	16.3
Manufacturing	2,031	24.0
Durable Goods	957	11.3
Nondurable Goods	1,074	12.7
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	437	5.2
Trade (Wholesale and Retail)	1,940	22.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	261	3.1
Services	1,510	17.8
Government	267	3.2
Other	639	7.5

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for August 1981 was 8,461.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED

August 1981



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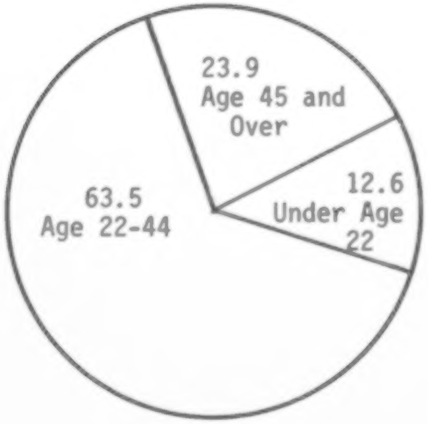

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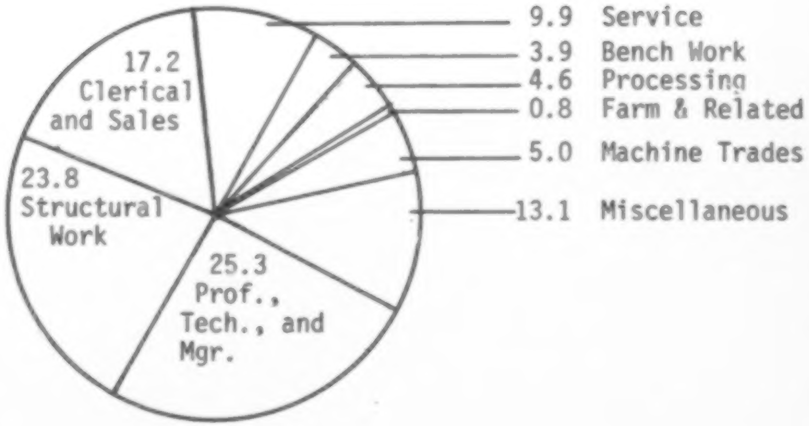

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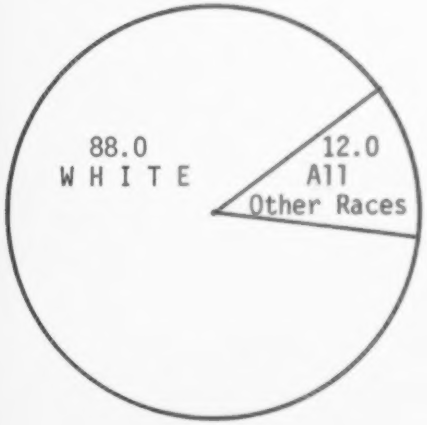

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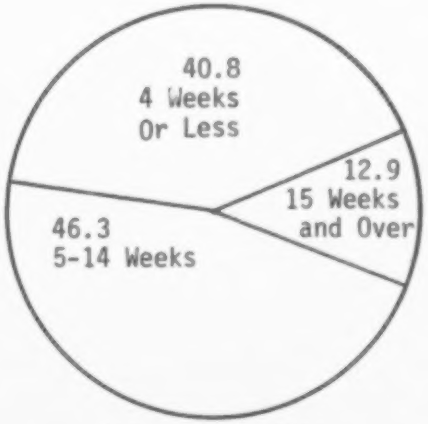

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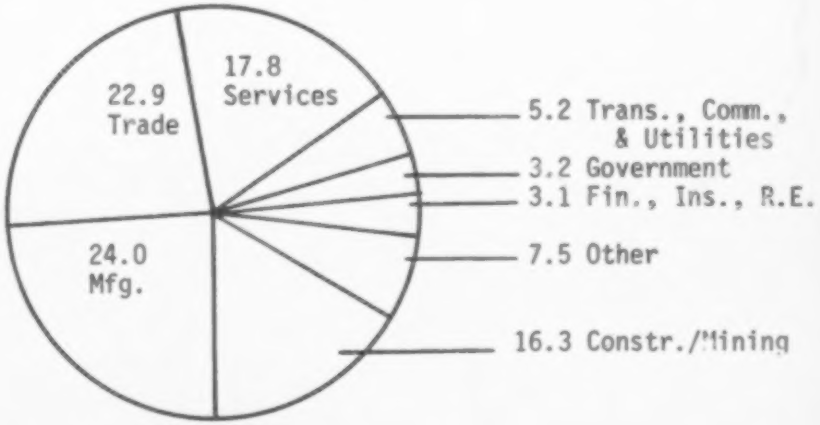
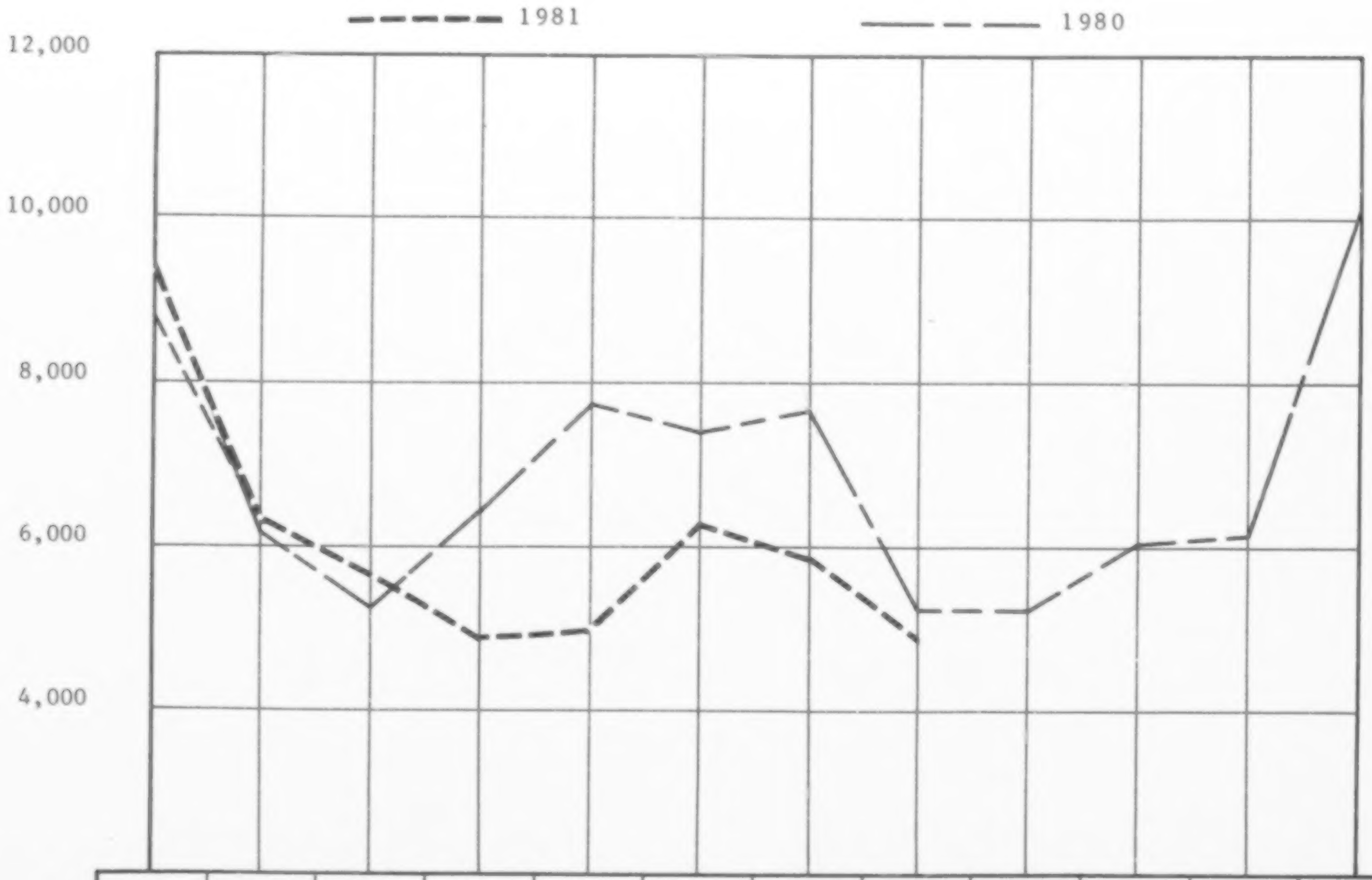


INDUSTRY

STATE SUMMARY OF INITIAL CLAIMS
BY MONTH

Unemployment Insurance Only
(excludes Compensation for Federal employees and ex-servicemen)



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1980	9,343	6,188	5,266	6,486	7,734	7,397	7,642	5,221	5,224	6,028	6,143	10,092
1981	8,744	6,339	5,622	4,886	4,951	6,294	5,963	4,969				

STATE SUMMARY OF CONTINUED CLAIMS
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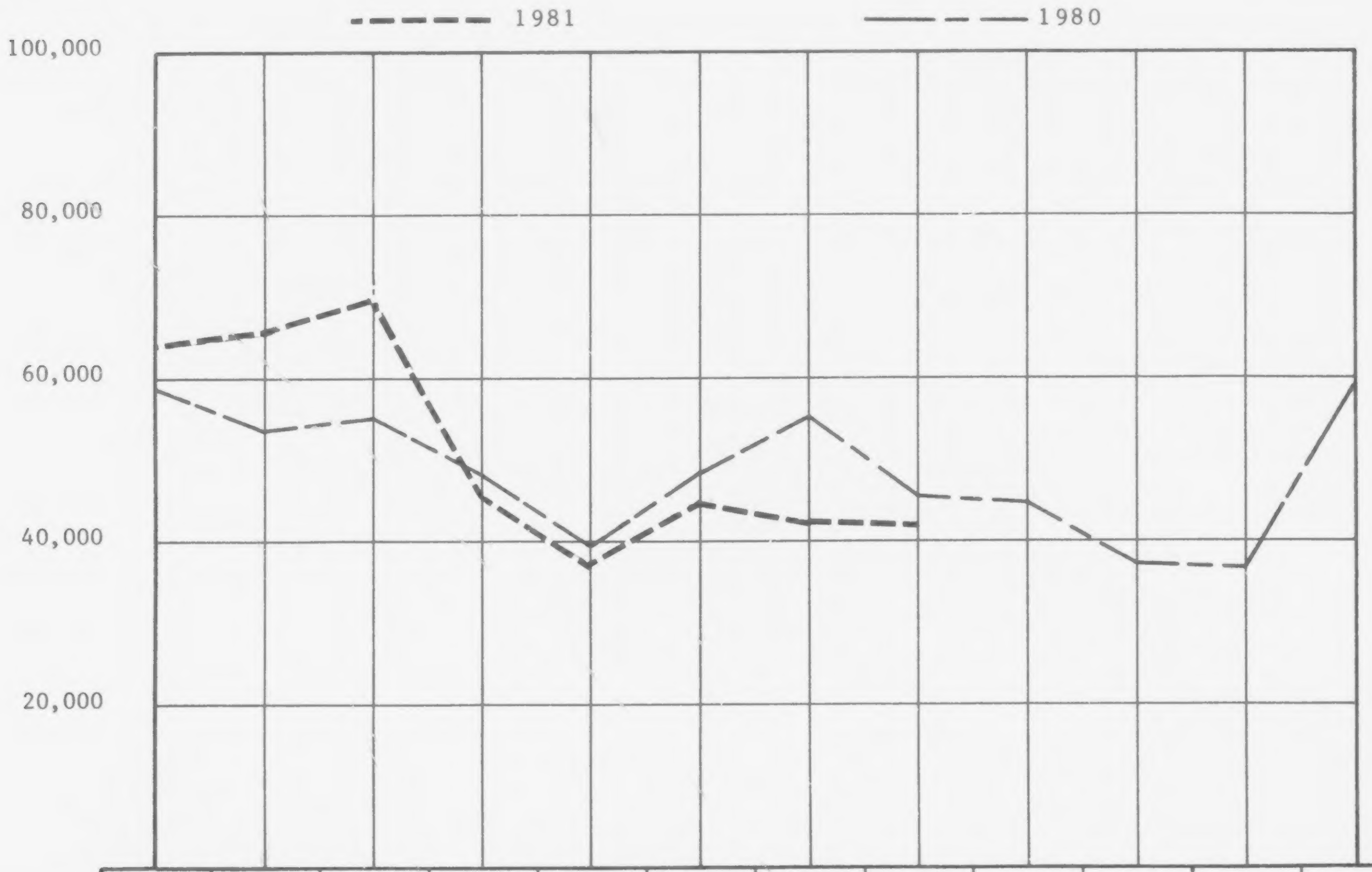

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1980	58,975	53,891	55,127	48,414	39,600	48,265	55,391	45,529	44,770	37,288	36,860	59,010
1981	63,974	65,687	69,871	45,545	37,336	44,738	41,911	40,930				

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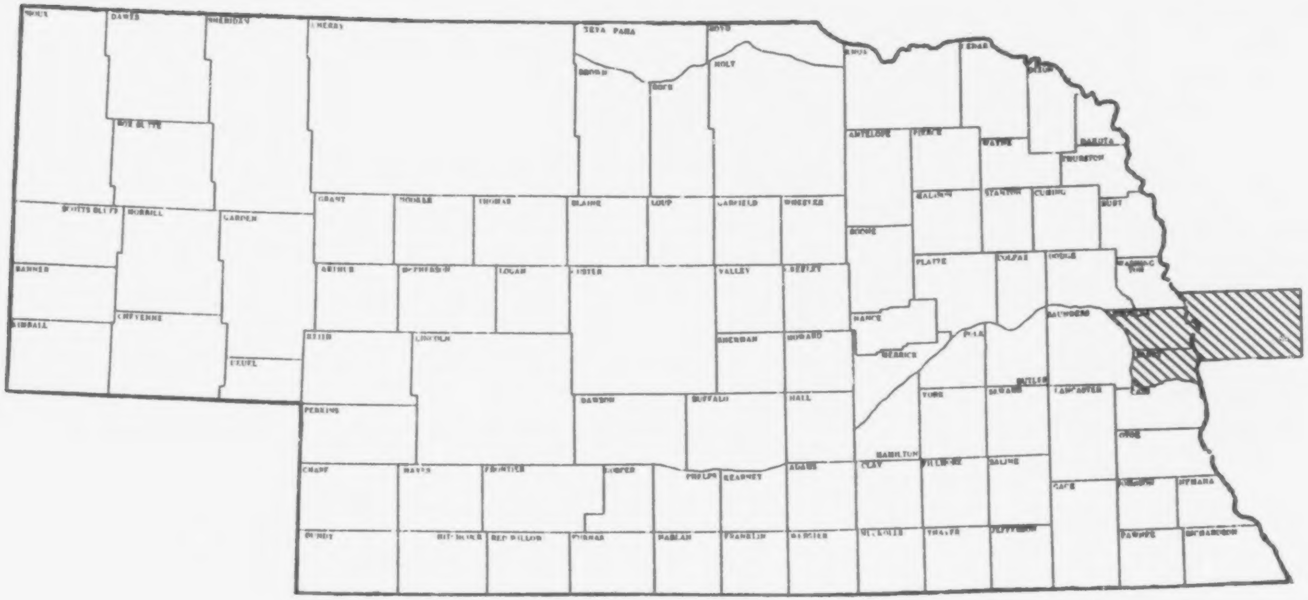
OMAHA STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [2/]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - By Residence)

	Preliminary August 1981	Revised		Change From:	
		Jul 1981	Aug 1980	Jul 1981	Aug 1980
Civilian Labor Force	282,450	285,450	279,650	-3,000	2,800
Employment	270,150	272,650	266,350	-2,500	3,800
Nonagricultural	266,250	268,250	262,500	-2,000	3,750
Agricultural	3,900	4,400	3,850	- 500	50
Unemployment	12,300	12,800	13,300	- 500	-1,000
Unemployment Rate [3/]	4.4	4.5	4.8	xxx	xxx

1/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa. The Nebraska portion of the SMSA labor force, estimated at 241,000, is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 41,450, is excluded from the Nebraska total.

2/ The above estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

3/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data

HIGHLIGHTS

The Omaha SMSA civilian labor force decreased by 3,000 from July 1981 to August 1981, but showed a gain of 2,800 from August 1980 to August 1981. Total employment dropped by 2,500 month-to-month, but rose by 3,800 year-to-year. Nonagricultural employment decreased by 2,000 from July 1981 to August 1981, and agricultural employment also dipped by 500 during that same period. Year-to-year, nonagricultural employment gained by 3,750, and agricultural employment registered a very slight increase of 50.

Unemployment in the Omaha SMSA decreased by 500 from July 1981 to August 1981, and also declined by 1,000 from August 1980 to August 1981. The unemployment rate edged downward from 4.5 percent in July 1981 to 4.4 percent in August 1981, and compared to 4.8 percent in August 1980.

ESTIMATES OF OMAHA SMSA[1] NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA[2]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	August[3] 1981	July[4] 1981	August[4] 1980	Change From: July 1981	Change From: August 1980	Percent Change From: August 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	264,115	264,654	260,487	- 197	3,628	1.4
MANUFACTURING	35,626	35,399	34,937	227	689	2.0
Durable Goods	18,371	18,151	17,586	220	785	4.5
Construction Material	1,137	1,056	1,126	81	11	1.0
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	369	279	365	90	4	1.1
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	768	777	761	- 9	7	0.9
Furniture & Fixtures	1,085	1,393	1,513	- 308	- 428	-28.3
Metals	3,116	3,027	2,863	89	253	8.8
Primary Metal Industries	983	990	1,022	- 7	- 39	- 3.8
Fabricated Metal Prod., Except Mach. & Transp. Equip.	2,133	2,037	1,841	96	292	15.9
Machinery Except Electrical	5,697	5,627	4,911	70	786	16.0
Farm Machinery & Equipment	1,726	1,754	1,560	- 28	166	10.6
Electrical & Electronic Mach., Equip. & Supplies	4,423	4,459	4,709	- 36	- 286	- 6.1
Transportation Equipment	1,042	1,028	927	14	115	12.4
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	779	776	699	3	80	11.4
Other Durable Goods (Including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	1,549	1,561	1,537	- 12	12	0.8
Nondurable Goods	17,255	17,248	17,351	7	- 96	- 0.6
Food & Kindred Products	9,038	9,186	9,583	- 148	- 545	- 5.7
Meat Products	3,542	3,611	3,601	- 69	- 59	- 1.6
Dairy Products	527	549	565	- 22	- 38	- 6.7
Grain Mill	1,903	2,004	1,017	- 101	- 14	- 0.7
Other Food Prod. (Incl. Canned & Preserved Prod.; Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod., Beverages; etc.)	3,066	3,022	3,500	44	- 434	-12.4
Textile Products & Apparel	651	631	626	20	25	4.0
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	3,773	3,607	3,413	166	360	10.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	1,315	1,328	1,283	- 13	32	2.5
Other Nondurable Goods (Including Rubber & Misc. Plastics; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	2,478	2,496	2,446	- 18	32	1.3
NONMANUFACTURING	228,489	229,255	225,550	- 766	2,939	1.3
MINING	201	216	212	- 15	- 11	- 5.2
CONSTRUCTION	10,119	10,298	11,223	- 179	-1,104	- 9.8
Bldg. Construction - Gen. Contractors & Operative Bldrs.	2,205	2,446	2,633	- 241	- 428	-16.3
Construction Other Than Bldg. Const. - Gen. Contractors	1,936	1,931	2,452	5	- 516	-21.0
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	5,978	5,921	6,138	57	- 160	- 2.6
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION & UTILITIES	24,373	24,308	24,331	65	42	0.2
Railroad Transportation	6,785	6,758	6,844	27	- 59	- 0.9
Other Transportation (Incl. Buses & Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transportation & Warehousing; etc.)	8,521	8,495	8,345	26	176	2.1

Communication & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	9,056	9,055	9,142	1	- 86	- 0.9
TRADE	67,747	67,349	67,692	398	55	0.1
Wholesale	21,133	21,096	21,032	37	101	0.5
Durable Goods	13,184	13,081	13,191	103	- 7	- 0.1
Nondurable Goods	7,949	8,015	7,841	- 66	108	1.4
Retail	46,614	46,253	46,660	361	- 46	- 0.1
Bldg. Materials; Hardware; Garden Supply & Mobile Home Dealers	1,461	1,471	1,378	- 10	83	6.0
General Merchandise Stores	7,543	7,418	7,532	125	11	0.1
Food Stores	6,855	6,869	6,627	- 14	228	3.4
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	4,646	4,621	4,951	25	- 305	- 6.2
Apparel & Accessory Stores	2,384	2,352	2,436	32	- 52	- 2.1
Furniture; Home Furnishings, & Equipment Stores	1,709	1,695	1,628	14	81	5.0
Eating & Drinking Places	16,775	16,642	16,973	133	- 198	- 1.2
Miscellaneous Retail	5,241	5,185	5,135	56	106	2.1
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	1,624	1,572	1,491	52	133	8.9
Other Misc. Retail (Including Liquor Stores; Sporting Goods Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	3,617	3,613	3,644	4	- 27	- 0.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25,819	25,811	25,181	8	638	2.5
Banking	4,040	4,018	3,945	22	95	2.4
Insurance	15,131	15,083	14,687	48	444	3.0
Real Estate	3,051	3,056	3,187	- 5	- 136	- 4.3
Other Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (Inc. Credit Agencies Other Than Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. & Svcs.; etc.)	3,597	3,654	3,362	- 57	235	7.0
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	60,559	60,833	58,887	-274	1,672	2.8
Hotels; Rooming Houses; Camps & Other Lodging Places	2,567	2,707	2,866	-140	- 295	-10.3
Personal Services	2,806	2,798	2,909	8	- 103	- 3.5
Business Services	12,785	12,410	11,784	374	1,001	8.5
Automotive Repair, Services, & Garages	2,149	2,143	2,036	6	113	5.6
Amusement & Recreation	3,289	3,294	3,258	- 5	31	1.0
Health Services	20,556	20,500	19,646	56	910	4.6
Educational Services	3,927	3,832	3,802	95	125	3.3
Social Services	3,060	3,087	3,361	- 27	- 301	- 9.0
Membership Services	2,544	3,184	2,586	-640	- 42	- 1.6
Other Svcs. (Including Legal & Other Prof. Svcs.; Misc. Repair Svcs.; Agricultural Svcs.; etc.)	6,876	6,878	6,643	- 2	233	3.5
GOVERNMENT	39,671	40,440	38,034	-769	1,647	4.3
Federal	8,310	8,369	8,456	- 59	- 146	- 1.7
State	7,969	7,555	7,518	414	451	6.0
Local	23,392	24,516	22,050	-1,124	1,342	6.1

1/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.

2/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

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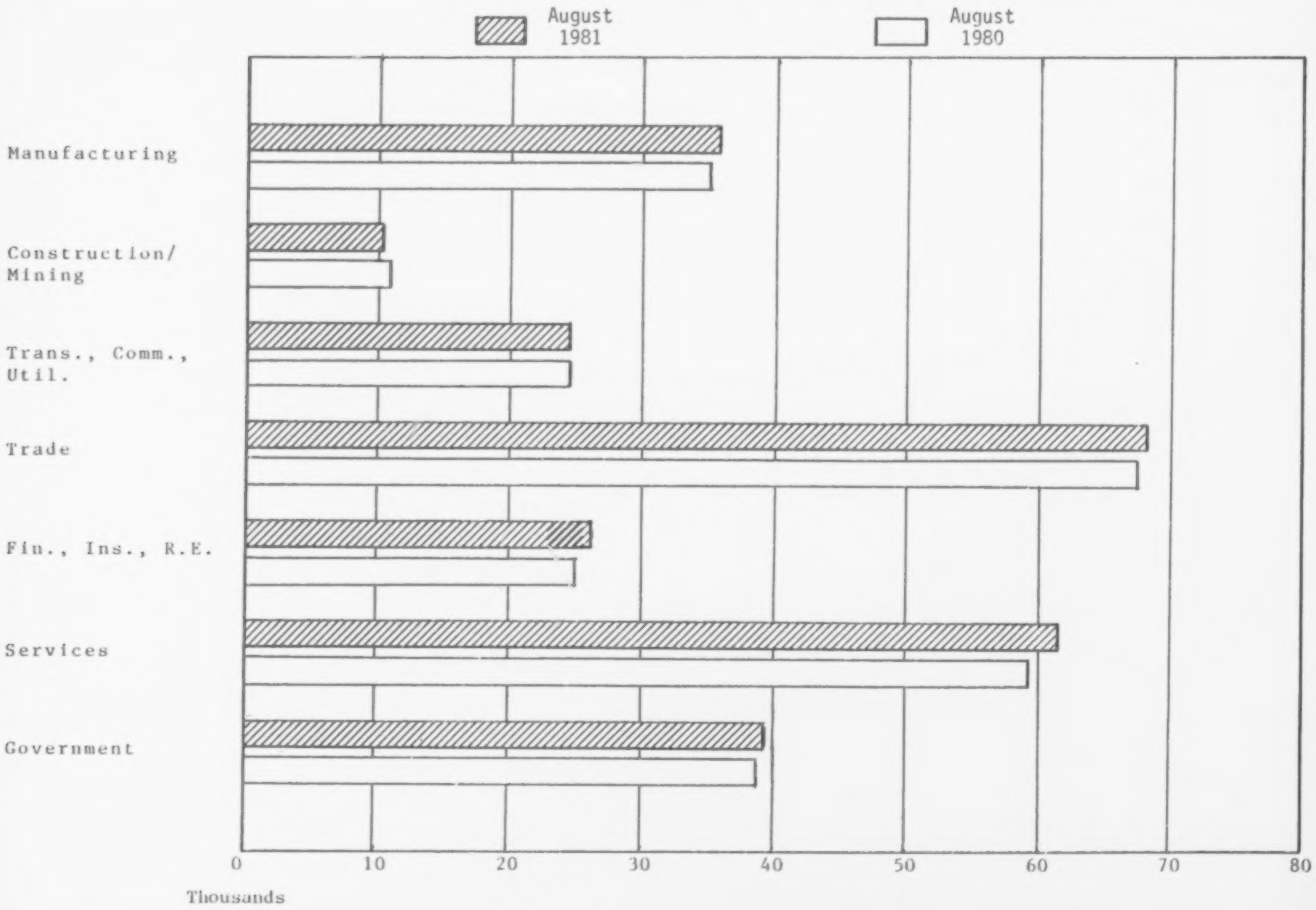
OMAHA SMSA[1] NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



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OMAHA SMSA [1] - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

August 1981 In Review . . . . .

The Omaha SMSA nonagricultural work force decreased by 539 from July 1981 to August 1981. This included a gain of 227 in manufacturing that was more than offset by a drop of 766 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 227 in manufacturing included a gain of 220 in durable goods along with a very slight increase of 7 in nondurable goods.

Month-to-month increases included trade (398), transportation-communication-utilities (65), and finance-insurance-real estate (8). The increase of 398 in trade included a very small gain of 37 in wholesale trade and a rise of 361 in retail trade. The chief gainers in retail trade were general merchandise stores (125) and eating and drinking places (133).

Month-to-month losses occurred in government (-769), services (-274), and construction and mining (-194). The largest drop in government was in local government (-1,124).

Annual Changes . . . . .

The Omaha SMSA nonagricultural work force increased by 3,628 from August 1980 to August 1981. This included a gain of 689 in manufacturing and an increase of 2,939 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 689 in manufacturing included an increase of 785 in durable goods along with a drop of 96 in nondurable goods. The major increase in durable goods was in machinery except electrical goods (786). The major decline in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (-545).

Year-to-year increases included services (1,672), government (1,647), finance-insurance-real estate (638), trade (55), and transportation-communication-utilities (42). The majority of the increase in services occurred in business services (1,001). The largest gain in government was in local government (1,342). The small increase of 55 in trade included a rise of 101 in wholesale trade and a drop of 46 in retail trade.

Construction and mining registered a year-to-year loss of 1,115.

1/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING [1] - OMAHA SMSA [2]

August 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Aug 1981 [3]	Jul 1981 [4]	Aug 1980 [4]	Aug 1981 [3]	Jul 1981 [4]	Aug 1980 [4]	Aug 1981 [3]	Jul 1981 [4]	Aug 1980 [4]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$324.69	$331.01	$303.24	38.7	39.5	39.9	$8.39	$8.38	$7.60
Durable Goods	341.34	332.52	296.83	39.1	38.8	38.4	8.73	8.57	7.73
Primary and Fabricated Metals	381.03	377.69	377.74	39.0	38.5	40.1	9.77	9.81	9.42
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	372.93	360.19	313.47	40.1	39.8	38.7	9.30	9.05	8.10
Nondurable Goods	305.60	328.43	309.67	38.2	40.2	41.4	8.00	8.17	7.48
Food and Kindred Products	338.33	368.42	346.38	38.1	40.8	42.5	8.88	9.03	8.15
Meat Products	313.35	344.04	326.61	36.1	38.7	41.5	8.68	8.89	7.87
Grain Mill Products	462.75	512.45	540.19	40.1	44.6	51.3	11.54	11.49	10.53
Bakery Products	296.80	295.79	253.92	37.1	37.3	34.5	8.00	7.93	7.36
Other Food and Kindred Products	270.55	277.31	245.23	40.2	41.7	39.3	6.73	6.65	6.24
Printing and Publishing	265.36	282.75	259.44	36.5	37.6	37.6	7.27	7.52	6.90
Chemicals and Allied Products	338.38	333.90	326.16	44.7	45.0	45.3	7.57	7.42	7.20

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.
3/ Preliminary.
4/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Omaha SMSA manufacturing decreased by $6.32 from July 1981 to August 1981. This included an increase of $8.82 in durable goods that was more than offset by a decline of $22.83 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $21.45, including a rise of $44.51 in durable goods along with a small drop of $4.07 in nondurable goods. From July 1981 to August 1981, average weekly hours dipped by 0.8 hours, and from August 1980 to August 1981, there was also a drop of 1.2 hours. Average hourly earnings had a very tiny increase month-to-month of $.01, and showed a year-to-year gain of $.79.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED[1]

August 1981

	Amount	Percent Of Total
SEX:		
Male	2,200	60.9
Female	1,415	39.1
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	2,890	79.9
All Other Races	725	20.1
AGE:		
Under 22	439	12.1
22-44	2,404	66.5
45 and Over	772	21.4
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or Less	1,514	41.9
5 - 14	1,646	45.5
15 and Over	455	12.6

	Amount	Percent Of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, Technical and Managerial	1,002	27.7
Clerical and Sales	663	18.3
Service	309	8.6
Farm and Related	21	0.6
Processing	112	3.1
Machine Trades	186	5.2
Bench Work	73	2.0
Structural Work	688	19.0
Miscellaneous	561	15.5
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	585	16.2
Manufacturing	660	18.3
Durable Goods	304	8.4
Nondurable Goods	356	9.9
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	272	7.5
Trade (Wholesale and Retail)	773	21.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	184	5.1
Services	794	22.0
Government	87	2.4
Other	260	7.2

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[1] Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Omaha UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for August 1981 was 3,615.
The Omaha UI Area Claims Center Area defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties.

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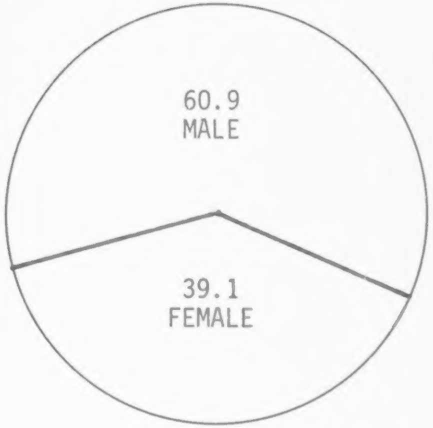
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED

August 1981



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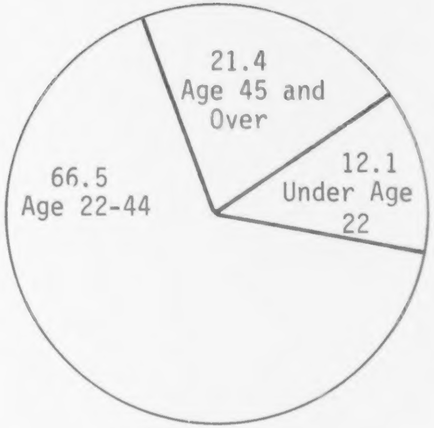

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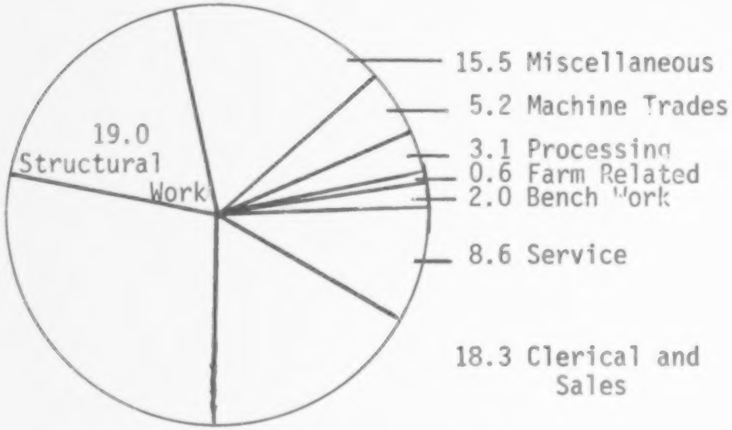

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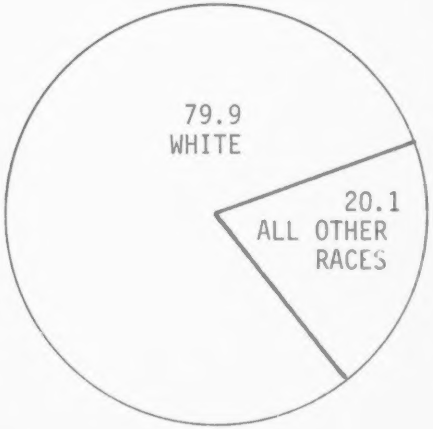

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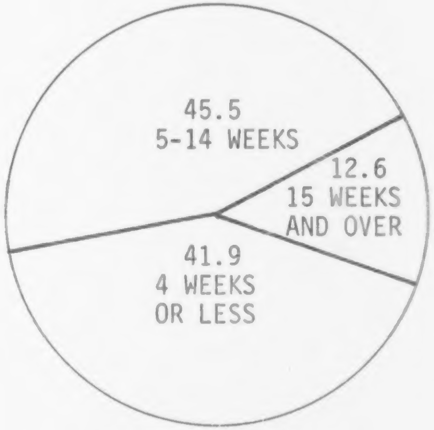

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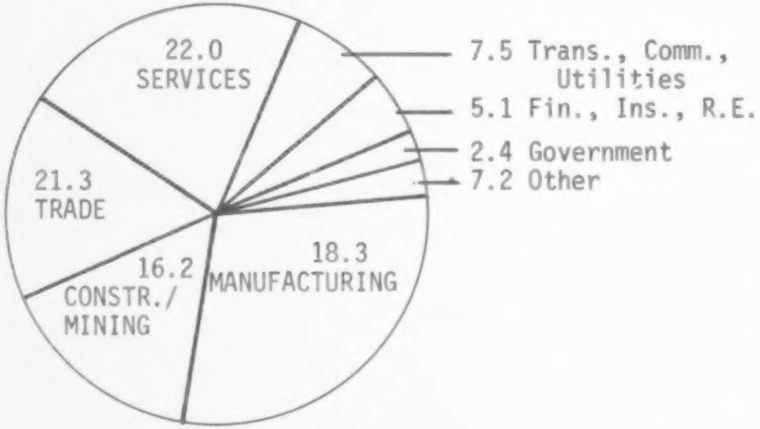

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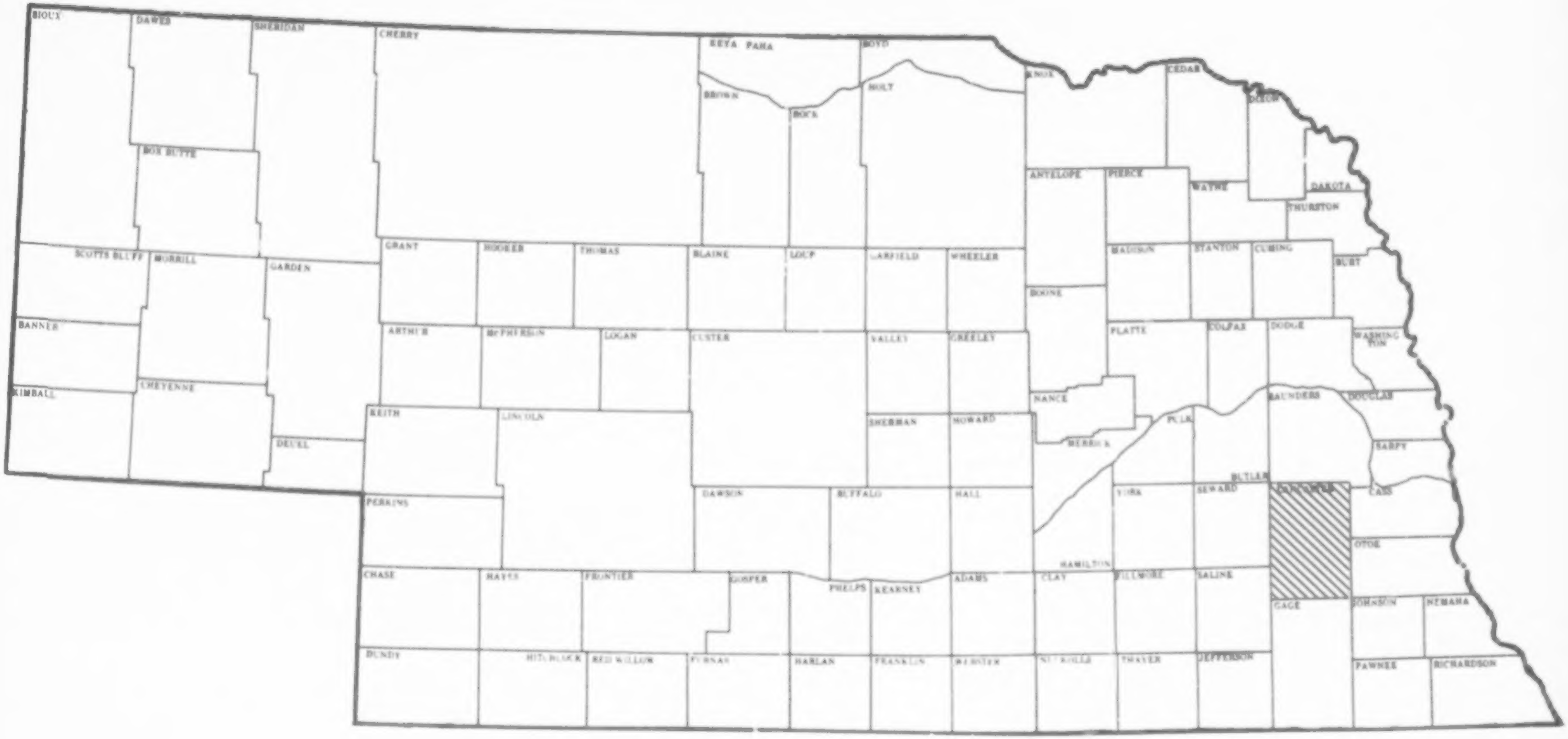
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The Lincoln Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area defined as Lancaster County.

LINCOLN SMSA [1/]

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [2/]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - By Residence)

	PRELIMINARY August 1981	REVISED Jul 1981	REVISED Aug 1980	CHANGE FROM: Jul 1981	CHANGE FROM: Aug 1980
Civilian Labor Force	110,700	109,850	109,000	850	900
Employment	107,150	106,200	106,450	950	700
Nonagricultural	104,700	103,450	104,050	1,250	650
Agricultural	2,450	2,750	2,400	- 300	50
Unemployment	3,550	3,650	3,350	- 100	200
Unemployment Rate [3/]	3.2	3.3	3.1	XXX	XXX

1/ Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.

2/ The above estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50 and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

3/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Lincoln SMSA civilian labor force increased by 850 from July 1981 to August 1981, and also increased by 900 from August 1980 to August 1981. Total employment rose by 950 from July 1981 to August 1981, and also gained by 700 from August 1980 to August 1981. Nonagricultural employment increased by 1,250 month-to-month, while agricultural employment dropped by 300 during that period. Year-to-year, nonagricultural employment increased by 650, and agricultural employment showed a very slight increase of 50.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA dropped by 100 from July 1981 to August 1981, but had an increase of 200 from August 1980 to August 1981. The unemployment rate dropped from 3.3 percent in July 1981 to 3.2 percent in August 1981, and compared to 3.1 percent in August 1980.

ESTIMATES OF LINCOLN SMSA 1/ NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 2/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	August 3/ 1981	July 4/ 1981	August 4/ 1980	Change From: July 1981	Change From: August 1980	Percent Change From: August 1980
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	99,327	97,365	98,590	1,962	737	0.7
MANUFACTURING	13,511	13,430	13,267	81	244	1.8
Durable Goods	6,253	6,223	5,997	30	256	4.3
Construction Material	619	591	646	28	- 27	- 4.2
Lumber and Wood Products, Except Furniture	225	204	208	21	17	8.2
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	394	387	438	7	- 44	-10.0
Furniture & Fixtures	128	128	102	0	26	25.5
Metals	950	940	993	10	- 43	- 4.3
Primary Metal Industries	71	67	68	4	3	4.4
Fabricated Metal Prod., Except Mach. & Transp. Equip.	879	873	925	6	- 46	- 5.0
Machinery Except Electrical	639	602	495	37	144	29.1
Farm Machinery & Equipment	66	66	[illegible]	0	- 1	- 1.5
Electrical & Electronic Machinery, Equip. & Supplies	1,564	1,602	1,46[illegible]	- 38	101	6.9
Transportation Equipment	1,858	1,865	1,8[illegible]	- 7	34	1.9
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	5/	5/	[illegible]	5/	5/	5/
Other Durable Goods (Including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	495	495	474	0	21	4.4
Nondurable Goods	7,258	7,207	7,270	51	- 12	- 0.2
Food & Kindred Products	2,205	2,228	2,534	- 23	- 329	-13.0
Meat Products	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Dairy Products	271	264	278	7	- 7	- 2.5
Grain Mill	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Other Food Prod. (Including Canned & Preserved Prod.; Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod.; Beverages; etc.)	882	881	1,285	1	- 403	-31.4
Textile Products & Apparel	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	2,065	2,023	1,964	42	101	5.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	875	860	854	15	21	2.5
Other Nondurable Goods (Including Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
NONMANUFACTURING	85,816	83,935	85,323	1,881	493	0.6
MINING	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
CONSTRUCTION	3,970	3,981	4,050	- 11	- 80	- 2.0
Building Const. - Gen. Contr. & Operative Bldrs.	940	964	1,047	- 24	- 107	-10.2
Construction Other Than Bldg. Const. - Gen. Contractors	590	540	699	50	- 109	-15.6
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	2,440	2,477	2,324	- 37	136	5.9
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	7,277	7,240	7,568	37	- 291	- 3.8
Railroad Transportation	3,152	3,137	3,459	15	- 307	- 8.9
Other Transportation (Including Buses & Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transp. & Warehousing; etc.)	1,032	1,055	1,018	- 23	14	1.4

Communication, Electric , Gas & Sanitary Services	3,093	3,048	3,901	45	2	0.1
TRADE	21,700	21,641	21,396	59	304	1.4
Wholesale	5,159	5,195	5,018	- 36	141	2.8
Durable Goods	2,844	2,800	2,796	44	48	1.7
Nondurable Goods	2,315	2,395	2,222	- 80	93	4.2
Retail	16,541	16,446	16,378	95	163	1.0
Bldg. Mat.; Hardware; Garden Supply & Mobile Home Dealers	637	652	678	- 15	- 41	- 6.0
General Merchandise Stores	2,014	2,021	2,308	- 7	- 294	-12.7
Food Stores	1,875	1,881	1,779	- 6	96	5.4
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	2,099	2,082	2,080	17	19	0.9
Apparel & Accessory Stores	1,107	1,096	1,114	11	- 7	- 0.6
Furniture, Home Furnishings & Equipment Stores	513	509	479	4	34	7.1
Eating & Drinking Places	6,171	6,068	5,955	103	216	3.6
Miscellaneous Retail	2,125	2,137	1,985	- 12	140	7.1
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	634	637	542	- 3	92	17.0
Other Misc. Retail (Including Liquor Stores; Sporting Goods Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	1,491	1,500	1,443	- 9	48	3.3
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	7,080	7,064	7,011	16	69	1.0
Banking	1,509	1,480	1,437	29	72	5.0
Insurance	3,872	3,901	3,936	- 29	- 64	- 1.6
Real Estate	739	728	703	11	36	5.1
Other Finance, Ins., & Real Estate (Including Credit Agencies Other Than Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. & Svcs.; etc.)	960	955	935	5	25	2.7
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	17,473	17,391	17,241	82	232	1.3
Hotels, Rooming Houses, Camps & Other Lodging Places	1,174	1,121	1,094	53	80	7.3
Personal Services	1,033	1,034	961	- 1	72	7.5
Business Services	3,367	3,324	3,567	43	- 200	- 5.6
Automotive Repair, Services & Garages	423	426	443	- 3	- 20	- 4.5
Amusement & Recreation	927	952	792	- 25	135	17.0
Health Services	5,348	5,351	5,178	- 3	170	3.3
Educational Services	909	883	873	26	36	4.1
Social Services	681	691	701	- 10	- 20	- 2.9
Membership Services	1,513	1,516	1,654	- 3	- 141	- 8.5
Other Services (Including Legal & Other Prof. Services; Misc. Repair Services; Agricultural Services, etc.)	2,098	2,093	1,978	5	120	6.1
GOVERNMENT	28,265	26,560	28,018	1,705	247	0.9
Federal	2,461	2,488	2,506	- 27	- 45	- 1.8
State	15,059	13,958	15,278	1,101	- 219	- 1.4
Local	10,745	10,114	10,234	631	511	5.0

1/ Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.
2/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1980 benchmark, and all months are comparable.
3/ Preliminary estimates.
4/ Revised.
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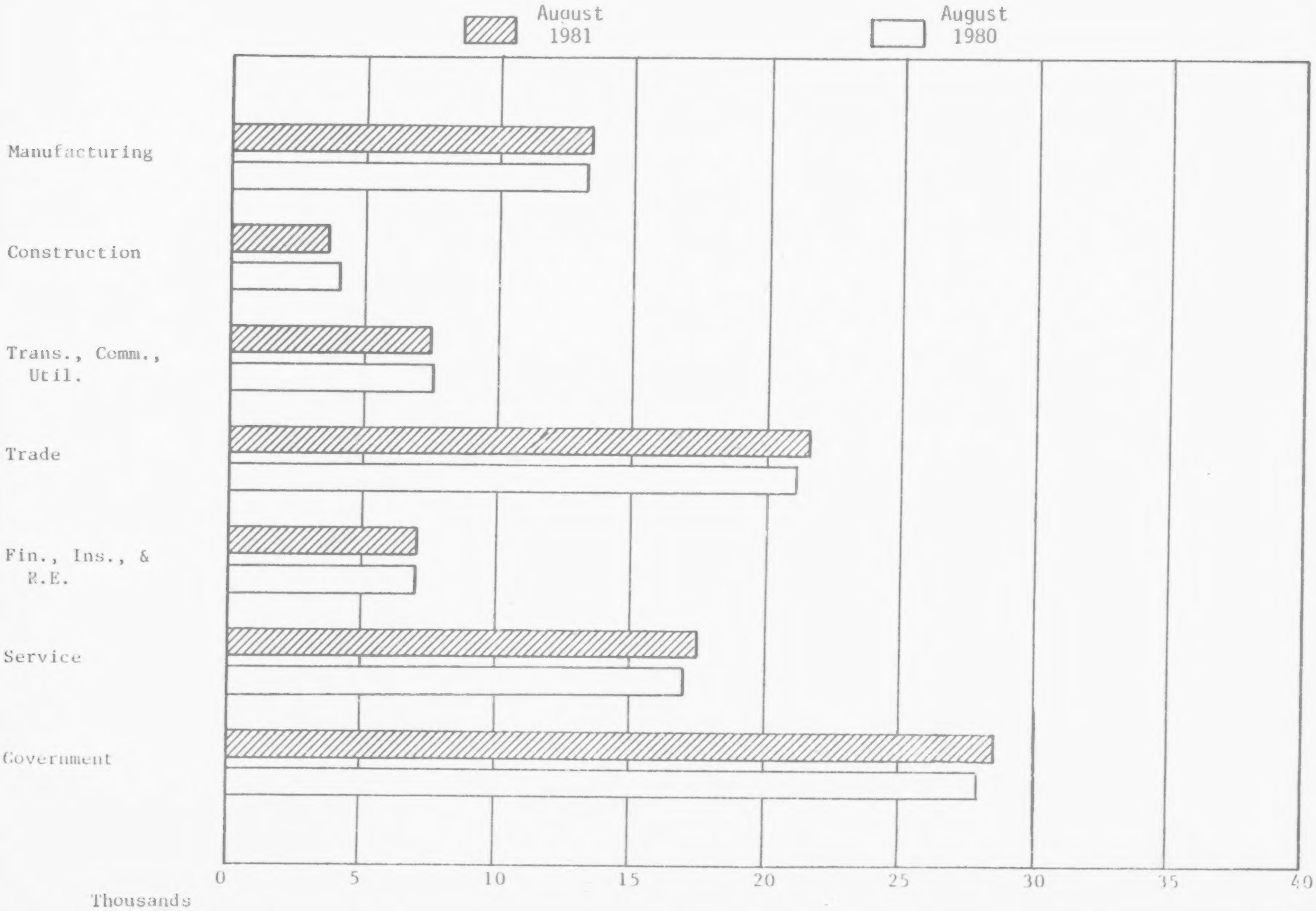
LINCOLN SMSA[1] NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



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LINCOLN SMSA [1] - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

August 1981 In Review . . . . .

The Lincoln SMSA nonagricultural work force increased by 1,962 from July 1981 to August 1981. This included a gain of 81 in manufacturing along with a rise of 1,881 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 81 in manufacturing included a gain of 30 in durable goods and an increase of 51 in nondurable goods.

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (1,705), services (82), trade (59), transportation-communication-utilities (37), and finance-insurance-real estate (16). The largest increase in government was in state government, primarily reflecting customary seasonal changes in educational services. The increase of 59 in trade included a small dip of 36 in wholesale trade that was more than offset by a rise of 95 in retail trade.

Construction and mining had a month-to-month drop (-18).

Annual Changes . . . . .

The Lincoln SMSA nonagricultural work force increased by 737 from August 1980 to August 1981. This included a gain of 244 in manufacturing and an increase of 493 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 244 in manufacturing included a gain of 256 in durable goods, along with a very slight dip of 12 in nondurable goods. The major increase in durable goods was in machinery except electrical (144).

Year-to-year increases occurred in trade (304), government (247), services (232), and finance-insurance-real estate (69).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in transportation-communication-utilities (291), and construction and mining (-68).

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[1] Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING 1/ - LINCOLN SMSA 2/

August 1981

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Aug 1981 3/	Jul 1981 4/	Aug 1980 4/	Aug 1981 3/	Jul 1981 4/	Aug 1980 4/	Aug 1981 3/	Jul 1981 4/	Aug 1980 4/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$301.46	$304.97	$281.39	38.5	38.8	38.6	$7.83	$7.86	$7.29
Durable Goods	274.38	275.93	246.18	38.7	38.7	37.3	7.09	7.13	6.60
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	295.89	296.68	263.25	39.4	39.4	37.5	7.51	7.53	7.02
Nondurable Goods	324.02	328.64	313.62	38.3	38.8	39.8	8.46	8.47	7.88
Food and Kindred Products	314.42	336.42	337.56	39.7	42.0	43.5	7.92	8.01	7.76

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

2/ Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.

3/ Preliminary.

4/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Lincoln SMSA manufacturing decreased by $3.51 from July 1981 to August 1981. This included a drop of $1.55 in durable goods and a decrease of $4.62 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year average weekly earnings increased by $20.07, including a gain of $28.20 in durable goods and a rise of $10.40 in nondurable goods. Average weekly hours decreased 0.3 hours from July 1981 to August 1981, and also dipped by 0.1 hours from August 1980 to August 1981. Average hourly earnings dipped by $.03 month-to-month, but showed an increase of $.54 year-to-year.

LINCOLN

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED[1]

August 1981

	Amount	Percent Of Total
SEX:		
Male	920	57.3
Female	686	42.7
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	1,529	95.2
All Other Races	77	4.8
AGE:		
Under 22	181	11.3
22-44	1,015	63.2
45 and Over	410	25.5
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or Less	647	40.3
5 - 14	740	46.1
15 and Over	219	13.6

	Amount	Percent Of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, Technical and Managerial	401	25.0
Clerical and Sales	245	15.3
Service	185	11.5
Farm and Related	13	0.8
Processing	86	5.4
Machine Trades	55	3.4
Bench Work	87	5.4
Structural Work	410	25.5
Miscellaneous	124	7.7
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	294	18.3
Manufacturing	385	23.9
Durable Goods	185	11.5
Nondurable Goods	200	12.4
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	56	3.5
Trade (Wholesale and Retail)	369	23.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	42	2.6
Services	300	18.7
Government	83	5.2
Other	77	4.8

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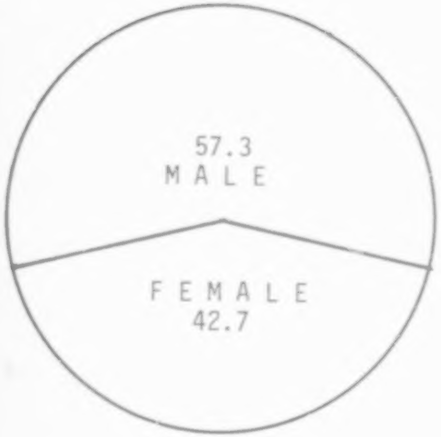
[1] Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Lincoln UI Area Claims Center for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for August 1981 was 1,606. The Lincoln UI Area Claims Center Area defined as Lancaster, Polk, Butler, York, Seward, Fillmore, Saline, Thayer, Jefferson and Gage Counties.

LINCOLN

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
August 1981



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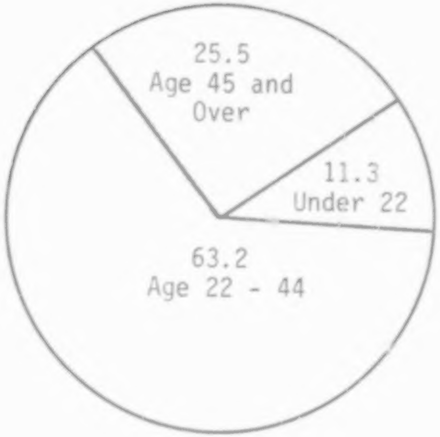

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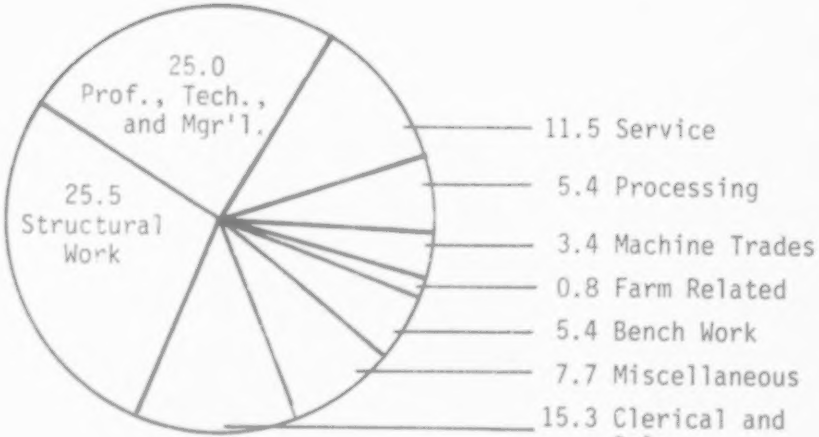

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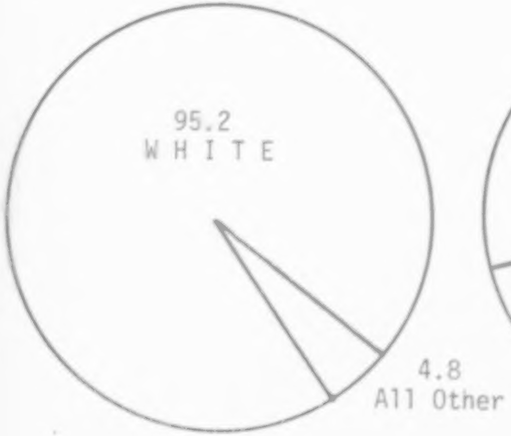

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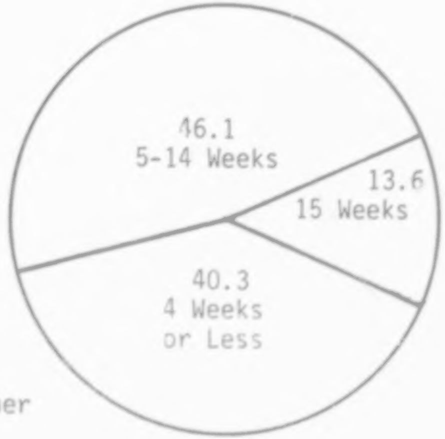

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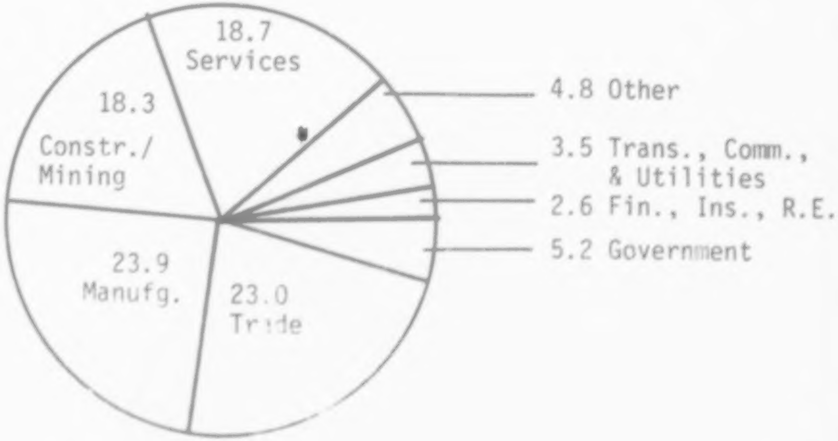

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APPENDIX

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

NEW BASE YEAR FOR THE CPI

The base year for the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and most other federal statistical indexes will be changed from 1967 to 1977. The base period is revised approximately every ten years on the recommendation of the Office of Statistical Policy and Standards. Effective with the Publication of January 1982 data in February 1982, the CPI base will be changed to 1977=100. To insure a smooth transition, contracting parties should consider whether any adjustments are necessary to adapt their agreements to the rebased index. More information on the rebasing will be provided during the coming months.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AUGUST 1981

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	276.5	0.8	10.9	276.5	0.7	10.8
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	270.1	0.4	7.2	270.6	0.4	7.2
Food	277.4	0.4	7.2	277.7	0.4	7.1
Food at home	272.8	0.4	6.4	272.2	0.4	6.5
Cereals & bakery products	272.6	0.1	9.4	272.0	0.2	9.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	255.8	0.7	4.2	255.5	0.6	4.6
Dairy products	243.8	-0.2	6.1	243.9	0	6.1
Fruits and vegetables	286.1	0.6	10.7	282.5	0.3	10.1
Other foods at home	325.1	0.6	5.6	326.1	0.6	6.1
Food away from home	293.7	0.4	9.0	296.4	0.4	8.7
Alcoholic beverages	201.4	0.4	6.7	203.8	0.5	6.9
HOUSING	299.7	0.9	12.8	299.6	0.9	12.7
Shelter	322.0	1.1	13.7	323.6	1.1	13.6
Rent (residential)	210.3	1.2	8.9	209.9	1.2	8.8
Other rental costs	298.5	1.7	11.6	299.0	1.9	11.9
Homeownership	361.8	1.1	14.7	364.8	1.0	14.7
Fuel and other utilities	327.8	0.8	14.3	328.7	0.7	14.4
Fuels	419.5	0.6	15.7	418.7	0.4	15.6
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	674.6	-0.5	20.1	677.9	-0.5	20.5
Gas (piped) & electricity	360.8	0.9	14.1	359.4	0.8	14.0
Household furnishings & operation	222.9	0.2	7.6	219.8	0.3	7.5
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	187.4	1.5	4.9	187.9	1.3	5.6
Men's & boys' apparel	177.6	1.1	5.8	178.4	0.8	5.9
Women's & girls' apparel	157.8	2.8	2.7	161.2	2.1	4.6
Footwear	200.0	0.5	5.1	200.8	0.8	5.7
TRANSPORTATION	283.7	0.4	12.3	285.1	0.4	12.5
Private transportation	280.5	0.3	11.5	282.6	0.4	11.8
Public transportation	326.5	1.1	24.9	320.9	1.0	24.9
MEDICAL CARE	299.3	1.3	11.5	298.6	1.1	10.6
Medical care services	323.4	1.3	11.6	322.1	1.1	10.4
ENTERTAINMENT	222.3	0.5	6.9	219.9	0.5	7.0
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	235.6	0.5	9.8	233.5	0.5	9.1
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	321.5			321.5		

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX [1] (1967 = 100)

(Previously Wholesale Price Index)

SELECTED COMMODITY GROUPINGS	INDEX (Not Seasonally Adjusted) April 1981	August 1981
ALL COMMODITIES	293.4	296.2
Farm Products and Processed Foods and Feeds	253.8	253.9
Farm Products	263.3	257.8
Processed Foods and Feeds	247.6	250.7
Industrial Commodities	303.5	307.8
Machinery and Equipment	259.6	266.0
Transportation and Equipment	231.9	235.8
Other Commodity Groupings:		
Grains	264.7	242.7
Livestock	246.6	262.0
Plant and Animal Fibers	274.2	232.5
Hay, Hayseeds, and Oilseeds	296.3	284.3
Other Farm Products	295.9	263.9
Agricultural Chemicals and Products	277.8	293.8

[1] Producer Price Index data measures average changes in prices received in primary markets of the United States by producers of commodities in all stages of processing. The sample includes nearly 2,800 commodities and about 10,000 quotations selected to represent the movement of prices of all commodities produced in the manufacturing, agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining, gas and electricity, and public utilities sectors. The universe includes all commodities produced or imported for sale in commercial transactions in primary markets in the United States.

NOTE: Beginning with January 1982 Producer Price Index data, the base will be updated from 1967 = 100 to 1977 = 100.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS

ACCESSIONS (TOTAL)

An accession is any permanent or temporary addition to the employment roll whether of new or former employees, or transfers from another establishment of the company.

New Hires - New hires are temporary and permanent additions to the employment roll or (1) anyone who has never before been employed in this establishment, or (2) former employees you did not call back. Persons transferred from other establishments of the company should be reported in "other accessions."

AVERAGE HOURLY (WEEKLY) EARNINGS

Average hourly (weekly) earnings including premium pay for overtime and late shift work, and incentive pay for the pay period which includes the 12th of the month for production workers in manufacturing industries.

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

The average length of workweeks for which pay was received during the pay period which includes the 12th of the month for production workers in manufacturing industries.

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Consists of all persons 16 years of age and over classified as employed or unemployed persons in the civilian noninstitutional population, by place of residence. The civilian labor force excludes military personnel. Noninstitutional population excludes inmates of penal or mental institutions, sanitariums, or homes for the aged, infirm, or needy. Labor force estimates are benchmarked annually, i.e., revised/updated by conversion methodology from benchmarked work force estimates.

CLAIM

A request for benefit payment, any notice filed by an individual to establish his/her insured status or to obtain credit for a waiting week, or a notice filed by an individual to inform the administrative agency of his/her employment. A claim may be filed under any one or more of the following programs: (1) The State program of unemployment insurance (UI), (2) The Federal program of unemployment compensation for Federal employees (UCFE), and (3) the Federal program of unemployment compensation for ex-servicemen (UCX).

Continued Claims

A request for waiting period credit or benefit payment. Continued claims are either (1) waiting period claims or (2) compensable claims.

Initial Claims

Either a new or an additional claim.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS
(Continued)

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)

The Consumer Price Index is a statistical measure of change - over time - in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups typically purchased by urban consumers: food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date. The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers other groups previously excluded from CPI coverage such as salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed. The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population. NOTE: The Consumer Price Index included in this publication is for the U.S. only - there is no comparable Consumer Price Index for Nebraska or subareas within Nebraska.

COVERED EMPLOYMENT

Count of all workers who are earning wages from employers covered by the Nebraska Employment Security Law.

DURABLE GOODS

Durable goods are items with a normal life expectancy of three years or more. Automobiles, furniture, household appliances, and mobile homes are common examples. Because of their nature, durable goods expenditures are generally postponable. As a consequence, durable goods sales are the most volatile component of consumer expenditures. Automobiles and parts, and furniture and household goods account for the majority of expenditures on durable goods.

EMPLOYMENT (On A Labor Force Basis)

Includes an unduplicated estimate of area residents who earned wages during the week including the 12th of each month. This estimate includes agricultural and self-employed workers, as well as residents who were employed in wage and salary jobs within the labor market area or in another labor market area, and residents involved in labor-management disputes.

Agricultural Employment

Includes only those persons employed in crop and livestock production. Agricultural services are included in nonagricultural employment (Service Industry).

Nonagricultural Employment

Includes persons on nonagricultural payrolls (including employees on paid sick leave, paid holiday, or paid vacation) who work or receive pay for any part of the pay period including the 12th of the month. Also includes self-employed, proprietors, unpaid family workers, domestics in private households.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS
(Continued)

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT

Unemployment during a week for which waiting period credit or benefits are claimed under the regular compensation programs, supplemental extended benefit programs, or the railroad unemployment insurance program.

LABOR MARKET AREAS

Consist of a central community and surrounding territory in which there is a concentration of economic activity or labor demand and in which workers can generally change jobs without changing their residence. Major labor market areas (SMSA's) have a central city (or adjoining cities) with a population of 50,000 or more. Small labor market areas do not have a central city of 50,000 or more and are not part of a major area.

NONDURABLE GOODS

Nondurable goods are items which generally last for only a short time (three years or less). Food, beverages, clothing, shoes, and gasoline are common examples. Because of the nature of nondurable goods, these are generally purchased when needed, and expenditures grow approximately in line with population growth. Personal consumption expenditures for food and beverages comprise about one-half of the expenditures on nondurable goods, while clothing and shoes account for almost one-fifth.

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (Previously Wholesale Price Index)

The Producer Price Index measures average changes in prices received in primary markets of the United States by producers of commodities in all stages of processing. The sample used contains nearly 2,800 commodities and about 10,000 quotations selected to represent the movement of prices in all commodities produced in the manufacturing, agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining, gas and electricity, and public utilities sectors. The universe includes all commodities produced or imported for sale in commercial transactions in primary markets in the United States.

SEPARATIONS (TOTAL) - The Sum of Discharge, Layoffs, Other Separations and Quits

Discharge - A discharge is a termination of employment initiated by the employer for such reasons as incompetence, violation of rules, dishonesty, laziness, absenteeism, insubordination, failure to pass probationary period, etc.

Layoffs - A layoff is a suspension from pay status (lasting or expected to last more than 7 consecutive calendar days without pay) initiated by the employer without prejudice to the worker for such reasons as: lack of orders, model changeover, termination of seasonal or temporary employment, inventory-taking, introduction of labor saving devices, plant breakdown, shortage of materials, etc.; include temporarily furloughed employees and employees placed on unpaid vacations.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS
(Continued)

SEPARATIONS (TOTAL) - The Sum of Discharge, Layoffs, Other Separations and Quits (con't.)

Other Separations - Include only terminations of employment for military duty lasting or expected to last more than 30 calendar days, retirement, death, permanent disability, failure to meet required physical standards, and transfers of employees to another establishment of the company.

Quits - A quit is a termination of employment initiated by the employee for any reason except to retire, to transfer to another establishment of the same firm, or for service in the Armed Forces. Include a person who fails to report after being hired (if previously counted as an accession) and an unauthorized absence if on the last day of the month the person has been absent more than 7 consecutive calendar days.

STANDARD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS (SMSA)

Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas are established by the OMB so that local economic and social statistics collected by many government and private organizations may be presented on a common geographic basis. Two basic considerations are involved in the establishment of an SMSA. First, each SMSA must include at least one city with 50,000 or more inhabitants, or two cities having contiguous boundaries and constituting, for general economic and social purposes, a single community with a combined population of at least 50,000. The smaller city must have a population of at least 15,000. In addition, at least 75 percent of the labor force must be nonagricultural, thus defining the metropolitan character of the area. In Nebraska, the SMSA's are Omaha (Douglas and Sarpy counties in Nebraska, and Pottawattamie County in Iowa) and Lincoln (Lancaster County). Dakota County, Nebraska is part of the Sioux City, Iowa SMSA.

UNEMPLOYMENT (On A Labor Force Basis)

Unemployment (total) is an unduplicated estimate of area residents who did not earn any wages during the survey week including the 12th of the month, and who were able, available, and actively seeking work during the thirty-day period preceding the survey week.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Unemployment rate is the total number of unemployed in the labor market area divided by the civilian labor force in the area.

WORK FORCE (Wage And Salary Employment, By Place Of Work)

An estimate of the number of individual jobs in an area during the survey week which includes the 12th of the month. Estimates are calculated by place of workers, agricultural workers and workers involved in labor-management disputes. Estimates include both part-time and full-time jobs, also included are nonresidents who commute into the labor market area for work, as well as individuals who have more than one job in the same labor market area. Work force estimates are benchmarked annually, i.e., revised/updated based upon employer contributions data.

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